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**THE MAN WHO
MISSED OUT**

NEURIN Bevan's death is a double tragedy which will be felt by the Labour Party, and particularly Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, the leader, as much as by Parliament. He was the House of Commons' finest orator and his dynamic, controversial personality, brilliant mind and smooth Welsh fluency have assured him of a place in Parliament's history. Indeed he will be remembered as the man who most deserved to be Premier and the indications are that had he lived he might have succeeded Gaitskell as the party leader and been a strong challenger to the Tories at the next election.

Mr. Bevan's death is the third and bitterest blow for Mr. Gaitskell this week. For this former militant left-winger who was once the most troublesome opponent of the official leadership, had mellowed in recent years to become its staunchest supporter. Mr. Gaitskell badly needed the influential and personal backing which Bevan, with the prestige he enjoyed among union leaders, could have given and which might have been decisive in Labour's current internal reformation.

FOR Mr. Bevan was himself first a unionist, then a radical and finally a disciple of the newest school of thought in British socialism in which the old dogmatic view on nationalisation has been almost completely repudiated. Now emphasis is placed on state control only for those industries which private enterprise shows itself incapable of running efficiently or economically. This is a sensible rationalisation of policy in view of prevailing feeling in Britain which only last year showed itself decisively in favour of continued Conservative rule and against a policy of wholesale State grants.

The question, following the Railwaysmen's and Miners' rejection of the Gaitskell policy, is whether the party leader can now survive despite the overwhelming vote of confidence he received last week at a parliamentary party meeting.

THE future for Labour is fraught with uncertainty. The party appears to be crumbling. And it is hard to recall when there has been so much internal bickering. Labour is doing its best to claim that the recent publicity surrounding its divisions has had the effect of uniting the party. But it will need to supply more convincing evidence before this can be generally accepted.

Mr. Bevan's death could hardly have come at a worse time for the party, but the fact that members from both sides of the House have joined in lamenting his untimely passing shows that it is not only a loss to the opposition but a tragedy for Parliament as a whole. What must be rated the greatest pity, however, is that he never had the chance of representing Britain and the West in negotiations with the Communists. It is there that with his background and beliefs, he could have made a decisive impression and an invaluable contribution to better East-West relations.

Confusion reigns supreme in theatre circles HK CINEMAS BLACKLISTED

Banned from showing American films

By **JOHN LUFF**
China Mail film correspondent

The U.S. Foreign Assets Controls Registration has swooped on the cinemas of Hongkong so that bewilderment and confusion reigns supreme among the first run theatres this morning.

The Astor Theatre, Kowloon, and the Metropole Theatre in Hongkong, have been designated as "blacklisted." This action is usually taken by the U.S. authorities when they believe a firm's management has affiliations with Communist China or "leftist sympathies." Consequently they are no longer allowed to show films made in America.

Films cancelled
The immediate effect of this is that the Lee and Astor theatres who make joint bookings have had to cancel an engagement to show Walt Disney's "The Third Man on the Mountain," and a repeat showing of "Fantasia."

The long term effect is that the Astor Theatre, being on the designated list will not be permitted to show any of the American films they had undertaken to screen. In conjunction with the Lee Theatre, this means that the Lee Theatre will have to look for another theatre in Kowloon in order that the Colony's system of joint bookings is maintained. The Metropole Theatre has managed to get off the hook very nicely by running first run Japanese films, so diverting thousands of the Colony's dollars to Japan.

Confusion
Interviewed this morning, a leading local film magnate said he could not understand the decision as it will have no effect but to cause confusion among the Colony's theatre groups.

He said the Lee Theatre will have to find another partner in Kowloon, and should they not succeed in doing so, it will mean that another Hongkong theatre will be left to show first run films on its own, a policy not permitted by the local representatives of the American film companies.

Another spokesman pronounced the decision as "down-right stupid." He said, "Here is an opportunity for the Americans to show films exhibiting the American way of life. Surely this is cutting off your nose to spite your face."

Whatever the outcome, this much is certain. Within the next few months, the Hongkong public will see a switch round in the pairing off of cinemas, and the old combinations between Hongkong and Kowloon will take on a new look.

This action taken by the Foreign Assets Controls, also affects a number of smaller theatres in Hongkong, including the Cathay and Liberty, and certain cinemas operating in Macao.

RIOTS IN ITALY CONTINUE

Rome, July 7.
Bloody rioting exploded in northern Italy's Communist belt, bringing death to at least four people today while pro- and anti-Communist deputies again exchanged blows in Parliament.

Word of machine gun firing and death in Reggio Emilia, a Communist centre in the north, reached the national Parliament as the deputies debated last night's wild rioting in Rome.

The Reggio Emilia rioting, although involving fewer injured, appeared to be the most serious disturbance, since Communist-led toughs took to the streets in the current burst of demonstrations.

In the morning pro-Communist socialist Senator Emilio Lussu bitterly warned in Parliament in Rome:

NEW UPROAR
"The (Christian Democrat) Government must go. And if you do not go your government will be a government of civil war."

His words, threw the Senate into a new uproar. Machine gun fire echoed through industrial Reggio Emilia when demonstrators mobbed two truckloads of policemen, bombarding officers with stones and bottles.

Four demonstrators were killed. Twenty-one people were hurt, including five seriously injured policemen, Senate President Cesare Merzagora announced.

Disorders broke out in Reggio Emilia as Communist-led unions pushed a general strike in Italy to protest against police intervention in street clashes in Rome last night. While the riots raged in the streets, skirmishes raged in the House of Parliament until past midnight. —AP.

RUSSIA SATISFIED WITH ROCKET TESTS

Moscow, July 7.
The Soviet Union today completed its current Pacific rocket tests and announced "all necessary data has been obtained" for the next step in the conquest of cosmic space.

Tass announced the firing of a "new, powerful multi-stage" ballistic rocket in the Soviet Union's central Pacific range today.

Tass said the rocket travelled some 5,078 miles, landed right on target and was the second in two days.

The Tass announcement went on, "in connection with the good results of both launches of rockets the need for continuing tests of this type of rocket no longer exists."

It said it "was authorized to state that the Pacific area remains a 'testing and proving' ground for the Soviet Union from July 8 to 1960."



Eight die in RAF collision

Comberton, July 7.
Eight airmen were killed today when two RAF planes collided during training flights.

Two of the victims were aboard a Vampire jet trainer. The others were aboard a twin-engine, propeller-driven plane.

Air Ministry officials, who first said five men were aboard the twin-engine craft, said it later learned that a passenger was aboard the craft and was also killed. —UPI.

Americans leaving Cuba

Havana, July 7.
A growing number of Americans were reported to be leaving Cuba today because of probable seizure of all remaining American-owned property and Premier Fidel Castro's warning that his "real fight" with the United States "was just beginning."

Their preparations for departure coincided with the scheduled arrival of the first of a fleet of 19 Soviet tankers carrying Russian crude oil.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for Mexico's ruling political party today told cheering Congressmen that Mexico would side with Cuba in the growing crisis between the United States and Cuba.

The speaker, Emilio Sanchez, said the United States "must understand that the door to Mexico and understanding is open to all who seek peace and justice."

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THE MAN WHO DID NOT JUMP

London, July 7.

For over an hour and a half last Monday shopping crowds in Birmingham were held awestruck as 60ft above their heads a 40-year-old man threatened to jump to his death. The man was Reginald Garbett, a labourer and father of four children.

As he balanced on the 18 inch wide ledge on the fifth floor of Lewis' department store in Corporation Street, one other man pleaded with him to come down.

One of them, Gordon Young, 27, an employee at the store and the first to go out on to the ledge with Garbett (who let him approach no closer than four feet) knew just how Garbett was feeling — for he himself had done exactly the same thing on a ledge outside a London hotel until he was talked into coming in.

So for nearly an hour he pleaded with Garbett not to jump, until, white and shaken, he gave over his place to the Rev. Bryan Green, who after another 40 minutes pleading finally managed to coax Garbett into giving up his attempt at suicide.

Said Young afterwards: "I told him I knew just how he was feeling. We talked of his wife and children and money matters. I told him that life was life over with him. A man like that needs help and understanding. Now I shall visit him in hospital and keep in touch with him. I only hope he will be able to get back into life again as I did."

Both Young and Canon Green shared cups of tea with Garbett while they were on the ledge. —London Express Service.

Wednesday, July 7.
U.S. Air Force Headquarters tonight authorized a halt to the reconnaissance search for a U.S. downed plane in the Cuban Bay of Pigs.

Reconnaissance bombing missions were suspended on July 7, after the U.S. Air Force reported that the plane had been recovered by the Cuban Air Force.

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Stories of rape and violence in Belgian Congo

Leopoldville, July 7.
Belgian refugees today poured into Leopoldville from Thysville, scene of yesterday's Camp Hardy mutiny by Congolese troops, bringing stories of rape and violence at the hands of the mutineers.

The refugees said the mutineers, who revolted against their European officers and forced them to hand over the arsenal, had swarmed all over the Thysville area, raping women, including nuns, and forcing their way into the homes of Belgian administrators.

At Moanza Mboma, the refugees said, the soldiers had several times broken into the convent in search of women and had abducted and assaulted two young girl boarders.

The refugees were taken in by the Belgian Embassy, which is making emergency arrangements for their reception. Meanwhile reports reaching here from Stanleyville, in the north east of the Congo Basin, said that Congolese prisoners had broken jail there and had infiltrated into the town. The police and public authorities were however said to be still in control of the situation.

In Leopoldville itself, there was a threat that the city would be without electricity soon, as employees on the Congo power station threatened to walk out if the authorities did not take steps to protect the installations.

Congolese: Responsible, tolerant and wise...
European employees of the "Oiraco" firm including a staff manager were attacked today by striking Congolese transport workers who are due to resume work tomorrow after reaching agreement with the management.

The government of the newly-independent Congo state has taken no action against the mutinying troops up to now. Prime Minister Patrice Lumumba today received a delegation of the soldiers and discussed the situation with them.

The current rioting appears to have been aimed against Europeans rather than against the government. The European population of the Thysville region, where Europeans, and particularly European women, were most threatened, were still hoping that the government would take the situation in hand, in accordance with its solemn undertakings to protect all Congo inhabitants, whether European or Congolese.

Mutineers
Most of the mutinying troops in the Thysville area appeared to have returned to their barracks after forcing most of their Belgian officers to leave.

But in the lower Congo, rebels were making the rounds of the guard post, seizing all available arms.

And while refugees from this area continued to pour into Leopoldville, other groups, comprising both Belgians and Portuguese, were concentrating on the Angola frontier, in the hope of crossing over during the night. —AFP.

(See also P.3)

Girl falls on iron spike and lives

Montreal, July 7.
A two-year-old Quebec City girl was in critical condition tonight after falling two storeys and impaling her head on a four-inch iron fence spike.

Doctors at St. Justine Hospital said the condition of little Carole Boucher was "very, very critical" and expressed surprise that she was still alive.

The spike had penetrated her head to a depth of about two and a half inches.

Carole, along with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boucher, were visiting relatives when she apparently lost her footing on the first floor level of the outside stairs and fell on the fence. —UPI.

Rolex Watch Company founder dies

Geneva, July 7.
Mr. Hans Wilsdorf, founder of the Rolex Watch Company, died at his home here yesterday. It was learned today. He was 79.

Mr. Wilsdorf was a Swiss-born British subject. He moved to London in 1905 and took British nationality before World War I.

His insistence on wrist watch chronometer production, together with his invention of waterproof casing and the rotor self-winding mechanism, were regarded as outstanding contributions to the success of the world's wrist watch industry.

After World War II, he returned to Switzerland and turned his fortune over to a trust which ensures the continuity of the firm he founded. —Reuters.

Schoolchildren suffer from food poisoning

Newcastle-On-Tyne, July 7.
Sixty-five children at the Cambridgeshire school here were in hospital today suffering from suspected food poisoning.


Calls for ambulances started after the school lunch yesterday and ended about 11 hours later. None of the children were seriously ill.

The city's Health Department is analysing samples of the food served. —China Mail Special.

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WEEKLY REPORT ON THE HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET REMAINS STEADY

Banks go up on rumours of an issue

The market remained fairly steady throughout a short week of trading resulting in a moderate turnover.

The main feature of the week was the sudden investment interest in Banks which went up \$1,235 and then closed at \$1,230. Strength in London plus rumours of a possible issue is given as the main reasons for the rise. In insurance both Unions and Lombards remained dull.

Allied registered a small rise while Wheelocks remained steady. There was renewed buying interest in Wharves on rumours of a land sale. But it will be recalled that at the last annual meeting it was hinted that there would be no distribution of capital should any sale of land be put through.

Both the dock companies remained steady throughout the week. In stores Dairies and Lane, Crawford remained fairly steady while Watsons eased off slightly. In utilities the two ferry companies remained unchanged.

NY sugar market

New York, July 7. World No. 4 sugar futures today closed six to 20 points higher with sales of 1,030 contracts.

The Domestic No. 6 contract closed two to four points higher with sales of 14 contracts. World futures swung over an extraordinarily wide price range as traders turned alternately bearish and bullish while analysing the impact of the U.S. Cuban quota cut on market prices.

After plunging sharply on fears that Cuba may press any surplus supplies for sale on the world market, early sellers beat a hurried retreat in late trading coincident with Havana trade reports that Cuba had boosted its minimum export selling price in the world market to 3.25 cents a pound FAS up 1/4 cent from the recently established minimum of three cents a pound—UPI.

Both China Lights and Electrics were fractionally lower. Cements remained steady at \$54. Textiles were up slightly on expectations of a better dividend. They paid 65 cents last year and it is anticipated that this year's dividend may be between 80 cents to a dollar. The company's profits are known to be good.

Market diary

Monday: The market responded to renewed buying with further improvements in rates. Gas, Cements and Wheelocks displayed strength. Volume of business was approximately \$3,410,000.

Tuesday: The share market today was again able to maintain a firm undertone. Buyers continued active in most sections and though some profit-taking was apparent there was very little reaction. Price changes were only fractional. Turnover was approximately \$3,071,000.

Wednesday: The market ruled firm during the half day session without any significant changes in rates. Cotton futures were well supported while Rubbers suffered a slight decline. Volume of business transacted was approximately \$2,127,000.

Thursday: The market closed irregular with fractional changes. Banks and Textiles were in strong demand. Volume of business transacted was approximately \$2,415,000.

★ The share market at a glance ★

	June 8	June 16	June 23	June 30	July 7	Up or Down	Dividend & Bonus	Yield(%)
HK Bank	1210a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Lombard	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Union	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Wharves	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
HK Wharf	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
HK Docks	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Talkoo Docks	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Provident	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
HK Hotels	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
HK Lands	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
HK Realty	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
HK Trams	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Star Ferry	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Yankee	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Ch. Light	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Electrics	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
HK Telephone	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
G. I. Cement	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Baily Farm	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
A. S. Watson	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Lane, Crawford	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Int'l Investment	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
AIRED	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
HK FE Inv	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Textile Corp	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8
Nanyang	121a	120a	121a	120a	123a	+230	4.8	3.8

Wall Street advances on late rally

New York, July 7. The stock market stepped up the pace today with a broad-based rally after marking time for nearly a week.

Most of the thrust was provided by such heavyweights as steel and chemicals in the last hour climaxing a day of general advance.

The advance restored some \$2 billion to market valuations. The change of pace followed five sessions of generally narrow price movements which had left the market's overall price structure in a virtual standstill since the middle of last week.

Steel, down to what some analysts consider bargain levels, stood out with gains of more than three in Lukens and Youngstown two or more in Granite City and Allegheny Ludlum, and more than a point in U.S. Steel, Republic, Bethlehem and Carpenter.

Today's volume was 3,050,000 shares. Of a total 1,227 issues traded 640 were higher and 577 lower. American exchange volume was 1,460,000 shares. Bond volume amounted to \$5,130,000.

Dow-Jones closing averages: 20 Industrials 644.80, 30 Stocks 141.74, 15 Utilities 94.80, 10 Bonds 121.18, 50 Stocks 121.18, Comm. future price index 145.24.

Closing Prices

Abtibi Pwr. & Paper	38 1/2	38 1/2
Algon Inc. A.C.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Allied Chemicals	38 1/2	38 1/2
Allied Mills Inc.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Allie Chalmers	38 1/2	38 1/2
Am. Brake Shoe	38 1/2	38 1/2
American Airline	38 1/2	38 1/2
Am. Cable & Radio Corp.	38 1/2	38 1/2
American Cyanamid Co.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	38 1/2	38 1/2
Am. Gas & Electric	38 1/2	38 1/2
Am. Home Prod.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Am. Mach. & Foundry	38 1/2	38 1/2
American Metal	38 1/2	38 1/2
Am. Natural Gas	38 1/2	38 1/2
American Sealing	38 1/2	38 1/2
Am. Sugar Ref.	38 1/2	38 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	38 1/2	38 1/2
American Tob.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Amper	38 1/2	38 1/2
Anacosta Copper	38 1/2	38 1/2
Armco Steel	38 1/2	38 1/2
Armour	38 1/2	38 1/2
Atlas Cement	38 1/2	38 1/2
Baldwin-Lima-Ham.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	38 1/2	38 1/2
Bank of Montreal	38 1/2	38 1/2
Bank of Nova Scotia	38 1/2	38 1/2
Beech Life Savers	38 1/2	38 1/2
Bell Telephone	38 1/2	38 1/2
Beneficial Finance	38 1/2	38 1/2
Bendix Aviation Corp.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Bentley Cons.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	38 1/2	38 1/2
Borg-Warner	38 1/2	38 1/2
Borden (Tob.) Co.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Burroughs Add. Machine	38 1/2	38 1/2
British Amer. Oil	38 1/2	38 1/2
British Columbia Pwr.	38 1/2	38 1/2
Calif. Packing Corp.	38 1/2	38 1/2

Like discounts fears of U.S. recession

Washington, July 7. President Eisenhower today discounted fears that the United States may be facing an imminent recession. He told his press conference that the gross national product had reached the record level of \$503,000 million in the second quarter of this year, employment had increased and personal income was rising. However, the only sign to support the recession argument was that steel production had fallen to about 50 percent of capacity. But he commented there had been such a tremendous increase in capacity, recently that production now was only equivalent to 75 percent of capacity, he said.

London stocks up on good investment demand

London, July 7. Good investment demand gave stocks another lift today and many second rank shares gained with the leaders.

Steel, engineering, bank shares, and electricals shared the advance, while Ford and Jaguar slipped in a brighter motors section.

Citibank and Citicorp, and other banks with gains, and securities mainly attracting buyers.

Minors were spread through gold mining issues.

Coppers were easier and tin lost more ground. Oils looked stronger at the start but reacted to end fractions lower.

Greeks eased in a quiet foreign bonds market and dollar stocks were mixed.

Hubbards suffered a future general setback. Teas lacked features—UPI.

Closing Prices

British Transport	120 1/2	120 1/2
Consols 2 1/2%	120 1/2	120 1/2
Consols 4 1/2%	120 1/2	120 1/2
Consols 5 1/2%	120 1/2	120 1/2
Consols 6 1/2%	120 1/2	120 1/2
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HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Business done at the Hong Kong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$1,100,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares: Buyers Sellers Sales

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K makes no-war pledge

TELLS AUSTRIANS HE'S
READY TO SIGN
DISARMAMENT PACT

Vienna, July 7.

Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev tonight pledged that Russia would refrain from starting a war against any nation and is ready to sign a disarmament agreement with "rigid controls immediately."

Riots break out in Nigeria

Lagos, July 7.

Rival groups battled with swinging machetes in a violent uprising at Shagamu in which at least four people were killed and many more injured.

Police moved into the area today when reports of the riots, which broke out last night, were brought by messengers. All telephone lines and other means of communication were cut.

One eye-witness said that during the height of the battle men were heading at each other's necks with machetes like madmen.

Cause of the clash is not yet known but political tension in the area has risen to fever pitch in recent weeks with reports to the coming general election in the western region. Shagamu is a town 50 miles from Lagos. This is the first outbreak of violence in Nigeria since last March when five persons died in riotous at Lafia in the northern region.

The worst riots in western region occurred in 1958 when more than 20 people were killed following the car crash death of an NCNC political leader. His supporters claimed the accident was engineered.—UPI.

Sultan ill

Kelantan, July 7.

The condition of Sir Ibrahim Mohammed, Sultan of Kelantan has deteriorated and is causing great anxiety, a communique issued here today reported.

The Sultan, who is 83, suffered a stroke yesterday morning.—AFP.

FATHER'S DRAMATIC APPEAL TO KIDNAPPERS

Sydney, July 7.

Travelling salesman Basil Thorne tonight made a dramatic television and radio appeal for the safe return of his eight-year-old son, Graham, who is being held for ransom of \$25,000.

The case was the first ransom kidnapping in Australia's history. The entire Australian police force worked round-the-clock, broadcasting and telecasting constant appeals and pictures of the missing youngster.

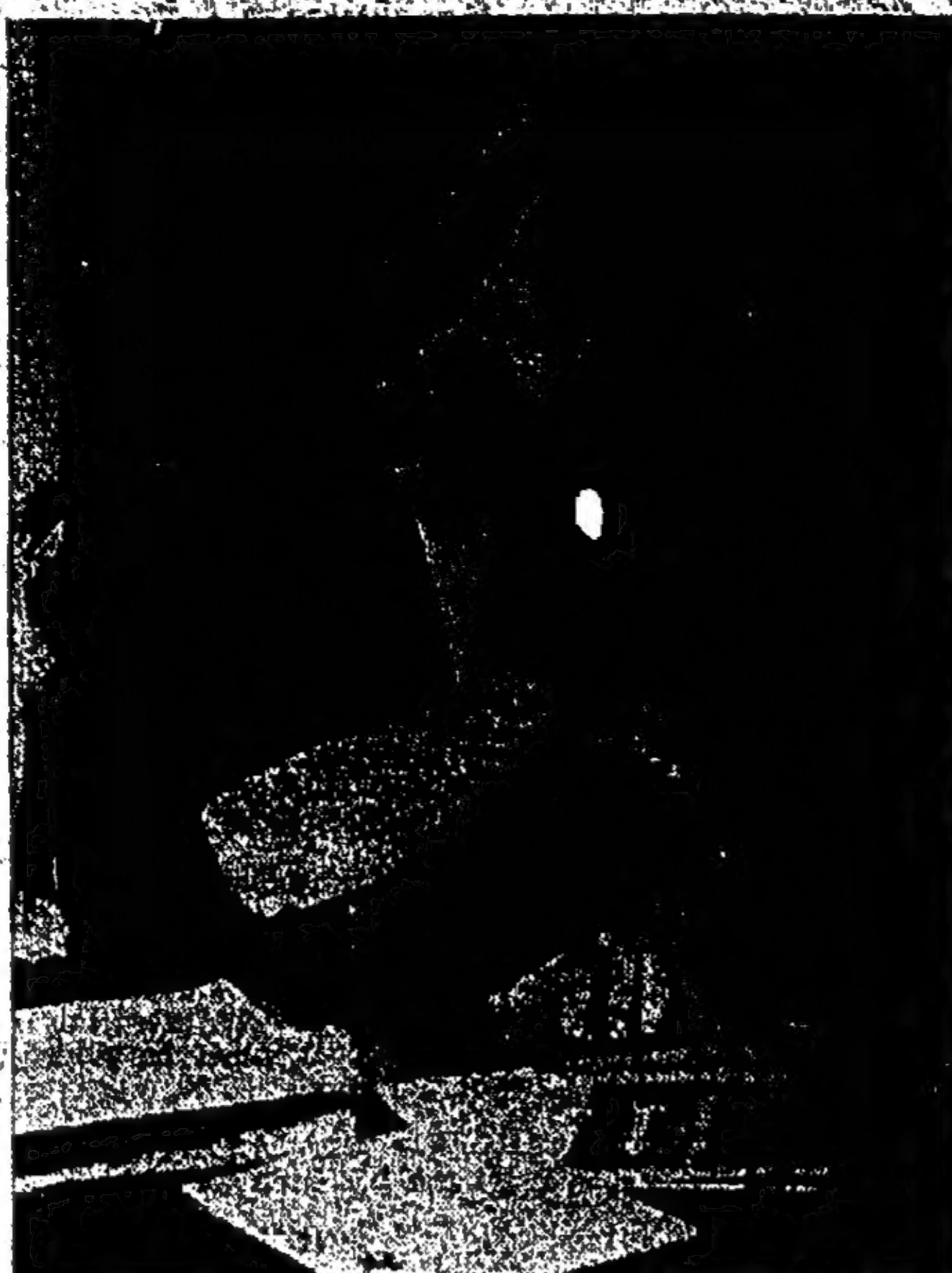
DISAPPEARED

Before breaking down completely during his TV appeal, 16 hours after Graham disappeared, Thorne sobbed: "If the person who has my boy is a father and has children of his own, all I can say is for God's sake send my boy back in one piece."

A month ago Thorne won £100,000 in a government lottery.

The boy disappeared early today while on his way to school near his home in the Sydney suburb of Bondi.

Later, a man with a continental accent, police said, phoned the Thorne home and demanded the \$25,000 ransom for the boy's safe return.—AFP.



Mrs. Eva Chryssanthi

Her 'solution' to colour problem arouses interest

Cairo, July 7.

Thirty-year-old Eva Chryssanthi, a Greek living in Alexandria, recently broadcast on Cairo radio her "solution" to the colour problem.

She claimed that if the black man could become white-skinned at will, the white will cease to feel superior, and the black will cease to resent the white. And she went on to claim that the black man could become white at will.

There is a skin disease called leucoderma, which, without harmful side effects, turns skin a milky white in colour; Mme Chryssanthi's claim is that injections with the germs of leucoderma could easily be given by doctors to anyone asking for them.

FIVE LANGUAGES

Her broadcast went out in five African languages as well as English—and within a week she had received letters from all over Africa, thousands of them, and even communications from the Ceylon and Philippines Embassies in Cairo, asking for fuller explanations of the plan. Later, the Orthodox Patriarch of All Africa, whose seat is at Alexandria, called conference and invited Mrs. Chryssanthi to explain the theory in the presence of the Greek Consul-General and representatives of the UAR government. Afterwards, the Patriarch announced that he would circulate a memorandum to his priests in Africa, asking them to determine black and white reaction to the idea.—London Express Service.

Now it's snow in Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires, July 7.

It snowed in Buenos Aires today for what old time residents say was the first time since 1918.

Although only light flakes fell for about an hour, Buenos Aires residents rushed out in the streets to witness the event. The snow melted when it hit the ground.—AP.

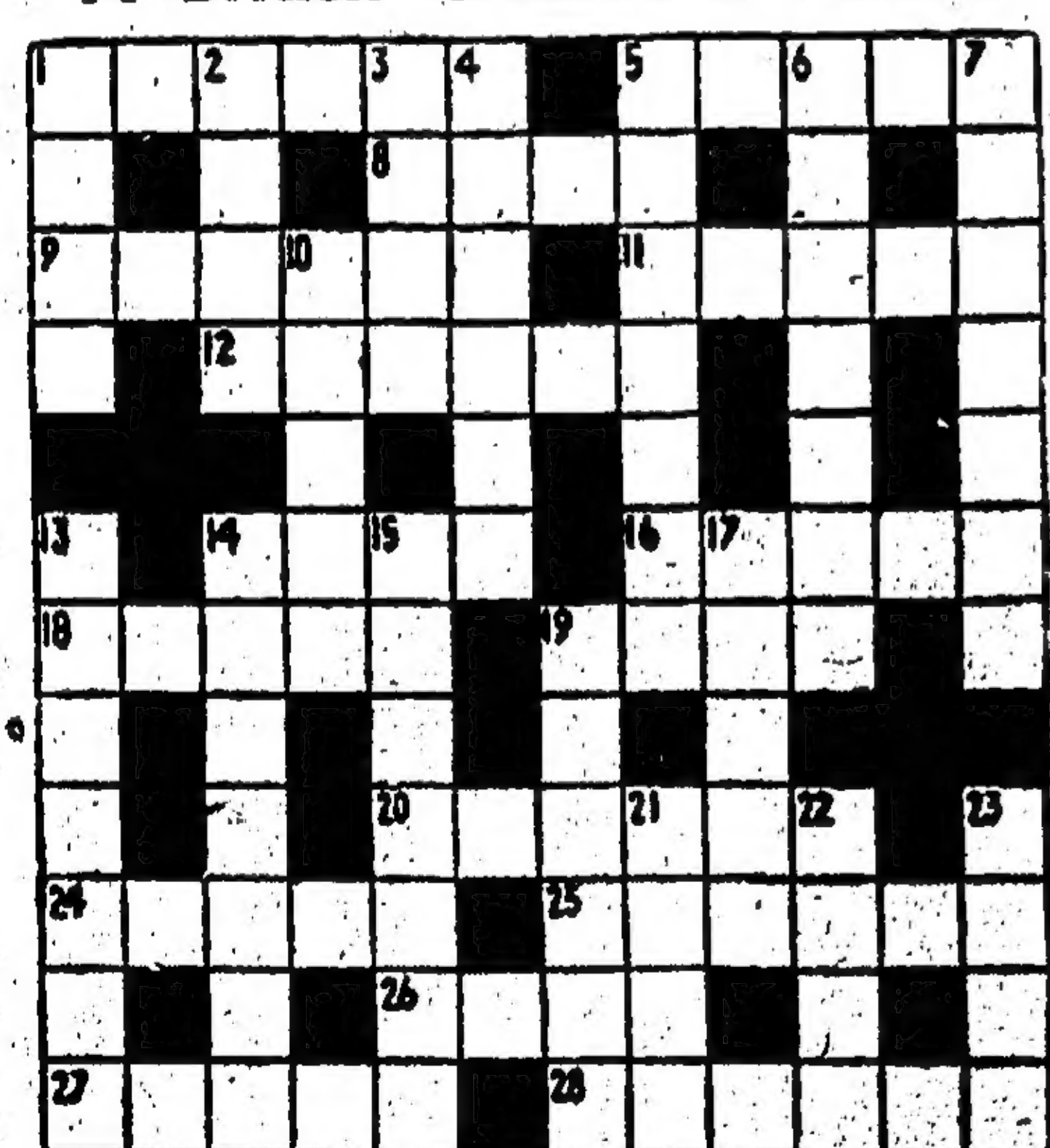
Seek return of U.S. prisoners

San Antonio, July 7.

The Congress of American Ex-War Prisoners has urged the United States to use "a little more gumption and a little less appeasement" in obtaining the release of Americans held in China.

The motion's sponsor, Colonel William Bradlock, said 3,600 Americans were reported missing, presumed dead, after the Korea war and many of them were imprisoned in China.—AFP.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- One having a late meal? (8).
 - Admiral on the water (5).
 - Wind indicator (4).
 - Tough with this (6).
 - Karlhoff? (5).
 - Saving grace (6).
 - Popular name (4).
 - Scoop of Western films? (5).
 - Yes, exactly (5).
 - Lies around in water (4).
 - Be very definite (6).
 - Dances for anglers even when headless (5).
 - Talks about financial issues? (6).
 - The end of every reviewer! (4).
 - Given what was prescribed (6).
 - Antiques may be his line (6).
- DOWN**
- Yielding (4).
 - Large beer (4).
 - For all time (4).
 - You don't often come across this (8).
 - They may be nearly insolvent (7).
 - By which a bee travels? (7).
 - Made certain of a broken sun-rod (7).
 - Belgium's "City of Flowers" (5).
 - Multiplying by itself (7).
 - Not politing at anything? (7).
 - Degrees indeed lowered in standard (7).
 - War-time warning (5).
 - Brought out another edition (6).
 - French verb "to be" (4).
 - Late variety of duck (4).
 - No longer a crowned head (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Topic, 4 Scamps, 5 G-lady, 10 A-rise, 12 Pitted, 15 Roast, 17 Met, 19 T-rain, 20 Archer, 22 Ism, 23 Kneads, 27 Chisel, 29 Iodine, 30 Rubber, 31 Gasper, 32 Pitch, Down: 1 Ties, 2 Ploy, 3 Cypri, 4 Chair, 6 Maiden, 7 Bewild, 8 Bitters, 11 Re-china, 18 Perrier, 19 (c) Curric, 18 Etila, 18 Lead, 20 Airing, 21 Biceps, 24 Slump, (plume), 25 Opvils, 26 Earth, 27 Iake.

Ex-U.S. soldier heir to British fortune

New York, July 7.

James Miller Cullen Dobbins, 51, an ex-soldier employed as a hospital porter, came forward today to claim his share of a \$250,000 fortune left by his late uncle, Joseph Cullen Dobbins, a Glasgow, Scotland, iron merchant.

Dobbins, who is employed in White Plains, New York, by the Westchester division of New York Hospital, saw a story in a New York newspaper reporting that an Edinburgh bank, representing the estate, was searching for him.

He identified himself as the person named in the story and was taken to the bank, where he was met by a man who identified himself as the bank's representative.

of what to do next after the Edinburgh bank, which the local firm refused to identify, has been contacted.

NOT EXCITED

"I never expected to be on the news, but I'm not excited about it," Dobbins said. "Some of the papers at the hospital are making a lot of fuss about it."

Thomas Walker of Inverness, Scotland, and the four children of an ex-soldier.

Dobbins said he worked for his uncle in 1927 and left to join the British army. He came to the U.S. in 1929 with a British commission as a civilian.

He worked as an expeditionary force in the U.S. Army in 1943, serving in intelligence. He came to New York in 1945 after becoming a U.S. citizen.—UPI.

Coalminers union support Gaitskell

Llandudno, Wales, July 7.

The British coalminers trade union today decided to back official Labour Party policy on defence after a rowdy and passionate debate on the H-bomb.

This means much-needed support for Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, leader of the Party, at the Labour Party's annual conference this autumn.

Several powerful trade unions have come out against his policy of continuing to rely on the H-bomb as a deterrent—though he says Britain should rely on America to supply it.

The coalminers—the National Union of Mineworkers—at their annual conference have rejected a resolution calling for unilateral nuclear disarmament by Britain. Voting was 201,000 votes for the resolution and 479,000 against.—Reuter.

Tear-gas fired at Africans

Cholo, July 7.

Nyasaland police tonight fired tear-gas to break up a march of 500 Africans on Cholo police station.

The marchers were believed attempting to free the leader of a sit-down strike on Nyasaland's biggest tea plantation.

The outbreak followed a day of rising tension. It began when 35 Africans, dismissed for redundancy, refused to leave the Italian-owned Confroz plantation.

Three hundreds of police rushed to the plantation and arrested the alleged ringleader. Police said he was a member of Dr. Hastings Banda's African National Malawi Congress.

Some 500 Africans gathered for a march on the police station when news of the arrest spread.

Police fired tear-gas when they ignored orders to disperse, after the riot act was read.

The crowd fled when the tear-gas exploded. It was understood police would make a new attempt to clear out the sit-down strikers tomorrow. But it was feared that this may precipitate new violence.

Cholo is noted as a hot-bed of African nationalism.—UPI.

Swoop on Mau Mau

Nairobi, July 8.

Police began a big swoop on African locations in the early hours today, rounding up Kikuyu suspected of being involved in the revival of Mau Mau oath-taking.

About 200 police were in the Nairobi area and similar operations were going on in the Kikuyu reserves outside Nairobi.

Police refused all details as cars in relays descended on the sleeping townships and took men away to police stations for questioning.—Reuter.

Metro singer seriously ill

New York, July 7.

Former singer, Lawrence Tibbett, 43, was reported in critical condition today at Roosevelt Hospital following a head surgery.

Mr. Tibbett entered the hospital on June 27 and underwent surgery for an old head injury the same day, according to a hospital spokesman. His condition has worsened in the past few days.

Tibbett made his debut with the Metropolitan in 1923 and was one of the company's most popular baritones.—UPI.

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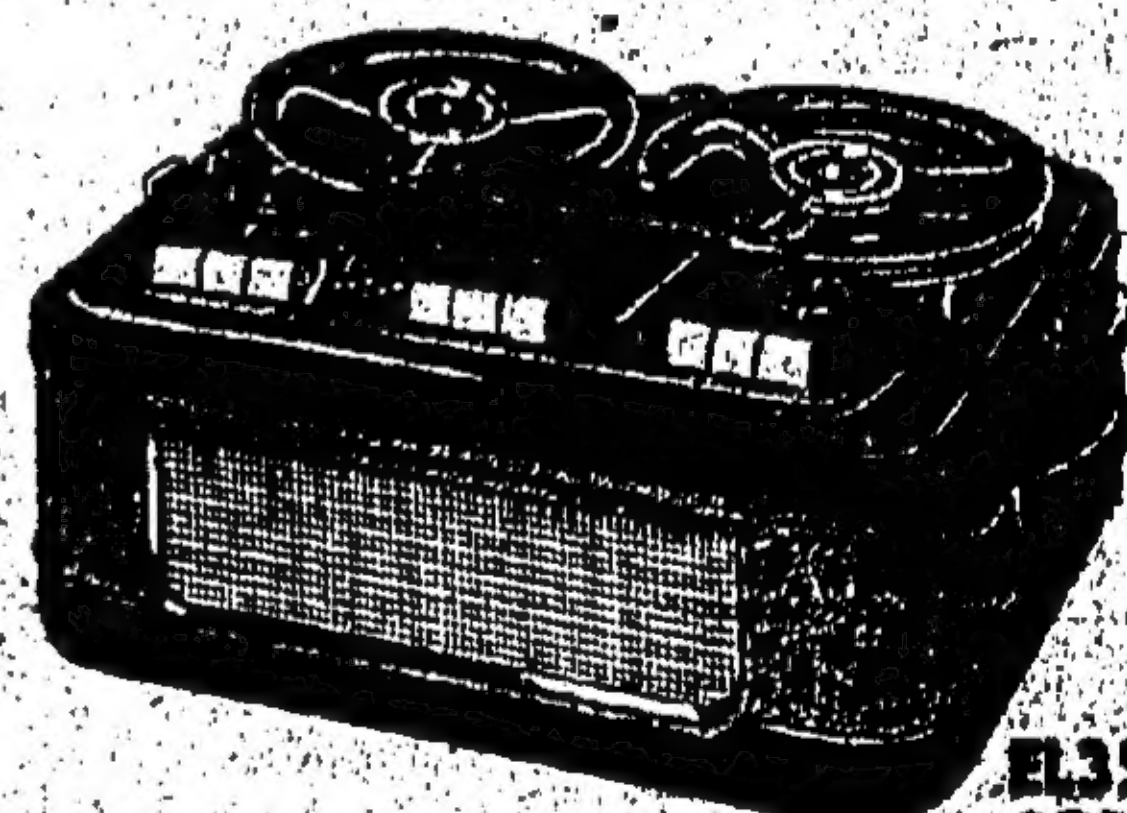
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Sir Alec says 'No' to £500,000



I WAS talking to Sir Alec Guinness recently about television and, quite by accident, one of his best-kept secrets slipped out. He was offered \$500,000 to introduce 39 shows on American TV sponsored by a beer firm. And he turned it down.

This vast sum would have enabled Sir Alec—who said earlier this year that he had \$900 in the bank—to retire for life. "But I would have despised myself for doing it," he said.

Why should Sir Alec hate TV advertising so much? "When I was a young man, I worked for an advertising agency as a copy writer, much against my will.

"I always wanted to leave and become an actor—and now I shall never go back. "I would rather die in the gutter of poverty.

"It was a great deal of money. I would have been able to retire. Perhaps in two or three years' time I will regret my decision, but I think happiness comes first.

"I am a happy man. I have a nice home in Petersfield. A very happy marriage and I have my dogs. What more could I want?"

Delighted

I asked him what his wife thought of his refusing £500,000. "She is highly delighted." Not long ago he was offered \$500,000 dollars to play Christ in a film. "I said I wouldn't do it for a million dollars," he said.

Yesterday he recorded, his first radio broadcast for 12 years. For "Desert Island Discs."

His fee? Thirty guineas. "I think that's quite good, don't you?" he said.

STATELY DOGS

AN Englishman's home is his castle, they say, and his best friend is his dog. And when an Englishman—in this case Lord Rotherwick, 47-year-old son of the millionaire shipowner—lives in a stately home, what is more natural than to build a replica of it for his dogs?

Lady Rotherwick says she and her husband are very proud of their pet dogs, which were built by their workers in the grounds of Bleckington Park House, in Oxfordshire.

"And the dogs seem to love it. That's the important thing, isn't it?" she says.

HOT AIR

MR PHILIP GOODHART, Tory M.P. for Beckenham, has been dilating on the subject of irritant and anaesthetic gases.

Tear gas, he believes, has had its day as an irritant. "It's pretty ineffective," he says.

And he wants the Government to work a lot harder on producing a gas that will not just make people cry, but will knock them out for a while.

Useful, he says, against those rioting students that cause such trouble in Asia.

"There is a need for more development in this field of research. What is wanted is a good non-lethal gas which will really flatten the students," he says.

Mr Goodhart, 34, perhaps without realising it, has a good point. There is a pressing need for a good, cheap, non-lethal gas.

And we all know now, do we not, who should be painlessly shut up first?

THE WIDOW WON'T SELL TO THE QUEEN MOTHER

THE QUEEN MOTHER is extending her interests in Caithness, where she has her place, the Castle of Mey. She has just bought the 70-acre farm next door which will give her completely private access to the nearest beach to her castle. The property has been bought lock, stock, and barrel.

Even the poultry and the standing crops are included in the deal.

The Queen Mother also wants another farm which adjoins her estate. It, too, overlooks the sea. The owner there is Mrs Margaret Munro, a 47-year-old widow.

But Mrs Munro is refusing to sell.

The Queen Mother's agent approached her a few weeks ago with a good offer for her 68-acre property. She told him she had been there 30 years and did not want to move.

There is a lot of speculation in the district over the Queen Mother's activities. One thought is that she intends to make a home in Caithness for Princess Margaret and Mr Tony Armstrong-Jones.

For she bought 12-roomed Seaview House, also near the castle, four years ago. It was intended for staff quarters, but has not yet been furnished, let alone occupied.

If she should now have Seaview in mind as a Scottish residence for her daughter, the farmhouse she has just acquired would make suitable staff lodgings for it.

Oh, what a blunder at the B.B.C.

THE Government has made a terrible blunder, committed an appalling indiscretion. In appointing the Earl of Halsbury as Governor of the B.B.C., it has—obviously without realising it for it is usually so careful—appointed a man who likes television.

To particularise, he likes Westerns.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he who rules his spirit, than he who takes a city.—Proverbs 16:32.

"Among all my conquests," said the dying emperor Valentinian, "there is but one that now comforts me. I have over-come my worst enemy—my own haughty heart."

Press-Radio Bible Service, Inc. Cincinnati, Ohio.

Will he turn up in the bullring?

FATHER knows nothing about it. Nor does mother. But all his friends say Lord Willoughby de Broke, son and heir of the Earl of Ailesford, is going to become a bullfighter.

The rumour is rife in the Bath Club, one of his favourite haunts, and in the Chelsea coffee bars, where he is pretty well known.

It is certainly true that Lord Willoughby left his London house recently and caught a plane to Spain.

Before he went he told his friends that he would be joining Vincent Hitzcock, the English bullfighter, there.

And it is certainly true that at a party a couple of weeks ago he was gaily demonstrating a cadenza, or an entrechat, or a pique, or whatever it is the fighter does when he skips out of the way.

But since he arrived in Spain there has been no word.

"I haven't heard from him and I know nothing about this bullfighting business," says his father.

Adventure

Whatever he is doing will, I am sure, be interesting. For Lord Willoughby always has a worthwhile adventure when he goes abroad.

I remember some time ago he was in the South of France. "Living native," as he said.

He was staying at a little boarding house on the island of St. Marguerite. One night there was a Son of Lumiere production—a combination of lighting effects and a narrated story—on the island.

Lord Willoughby had undressed for bed, then decided to go out on to his balcony to smoke a last cigarette.

He was wearing only his pants. Suddenly about eight floodlights were turned on—all focused on his balcony.

It was, as he said, "an unnerving moment." Well, we shall see what happens in Spain.

CROSSWORD

Across
1. Sound of wind. (9)
2. It uses liquid fuel. (9, 6)
3. Speak. (6)
4. Turn on or off. (9)
5. Breeze. (9)
6. Grain. (4)
7. Ship. (5)
8. (11 letters)
9. Non-coma. (9)

Down
1. Place of labour. (4, 6)
2. Start things running. (4, 8)
3. Fresh student. (3, 3)
4. They work with stokers. (6)
5. Make tidy. (6)
6. Sun term. (6)
7. An Irish anagram. (7)
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Yesterday's Solution.
(London Express Service).

• BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

WHEN the new 43-letter alphabet for schoolchildren comes into use, or I ask it that it shall be used for the gau spelling.

A kombinyshum, on the to wood knot ownly fastidiate lyming two rede phor chud-dra, but wood bee a konstant jol two groanuppes hop leant bi the paid methans.

I am told that the three Persian messaviers are very interested in both schemes.

Nothing to do with me

IT is thoughtful of the authorities, to assure us that a trumphone made of the best bauteite from Gullana, and imported into this country, is purely ornamental, and does not come into the category of musical instruments. The same, presumably, will apply to the church organs made of spaghetti which come to us by courtesy of the Bolognese Philharmonic Catering Institute.

(TOMORROW: How to look your best in a sausage factory.)

Good news for redskins

THE mania for turning brown has, I am told, received an impetus from the cosmetics, or whatever they are, which tan the skin without exposure to the sun, and at top speed. You can now be in bed painlessly, looking as brown as a berry, without the prolonged and expensive agony of a holiday on the Riviera. What a boon for those who, for all their efforts, can only manage to turn red after days of roasting.

No bid for the gum

IT is difficult, I hope, for anybody but a philatelist to understand why a man should pay \$2,000, at a stamp sale, for "half a Sardinian" stamp issued in 1881. What would it cost to become the proud owner of three-fifths of a Swedish stamp issued in 1889? Many people today are collecting stamp perforations in the expectation that one day they will be very valuable, but the man who tried to sell the gum scraped off the back of a 1908 sponxy English stamp was turned away from a sale with contempt.

Printer's frolic

Foreigners like to watch people throwing bits of bread to the pigeons in Trafalgar Square. (News item.)

IT should be explained to them that the bits of bread are either bought cheap from theatrical costumiers, or stolen from barbers' shops. Even bearded men who love pigeons are loath to mutilate their own beards to cure the birds.

(London Express Service).

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Philippines, 6 p.m.

Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America 6 p.m.

By Surface

Egypt, (Norway, Sweden, Denmark, parcels direct) 2 p.m.

Italy, Belgium, France, Netherlands, Germany, (Switzerland, via Genoa) (Jordan parcels direct) 2 p.m.

Macao, 3 p.m.

NIGHT SPOTS

MAXIMS: Gerry Leader, International

PARAMOUNT: The "Dairys", comedy in balance, Ruby Wax, Singapore Radio, TV, singing and dancing, and a lot of fun, music by Giuseppe & his Italian Combo.

WORLD: The "Hidden Treasure", (Japanese film with English subtitles).

METROPOLIS: "The Iron Fist", (Chinese film).

TARGET

HOW many words can you find in the letters of the word "TARGET"?

One word only. Each word must use all the letters in the word "TARGET".

Send your answers to: The Editor, The China Mail, 101/103 Wharf, Hong Kong.

Prizes: 1st prize, a set of 100 words; 2nd prize, a set of 50 words; 3rd prize, a set of 25 words.

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GUNBOAT NEEDED TO STOP AMERICAN MEN'S FASHIONS

London, July 7.

A British authority on men's fashions wants a gunboat to be sent to America to check the trans-Atlantic advance of American clothing styles into Britain.

Sex—the awful word

Liverpool, July 7.
Christians should stop blushing at the word "sex", the conference of British Methodists was told here today.

The advice was given to 600 ministers and lay preachers by the Rev. Kenneth Greet, secretary of the Methodist Church Department of Christian Citizenship.

"What is urgently needed is a more positive approach to the meaning of sex in the total context of life," he said.

"The word itself has become an embarrassment. Even on the lips of Christians it often has an almost exclusively venereal connotation."

This limited view was deplorable in a day when Christians must face such moral problems as artificial insemination, oral contraception, determining the sex of unborn children, and overpopulation.

At the same time Mr. Greet called on the conference to condemn the "exploitation" of sex and violence in contemporary writing and entertainment.

HARMFUL

This was "harmful to the nation's health, morals, mental and spiritual thought."

The Methodist educator added, "The Christian church is full of fuddy-duddies and escapists who will not face the facts of life. They are afraid of sex and want to pretend it is not there."

He hoped that in condemning pornography, the Methodists could still plead not guilty to that charge.

"On the whole we are not easily shocked," he said.

Yet one of the facts of life which the Methodist conference could point out is "that there is such a thing as poison and that some of the worst of it is not contained in bottles, but in books, plays and pictures."

He called for the Methodists to oppose the new proposals to lift some of the restrictions on gambling and drinking.—China Mail Special.

White Paper

London, July 7.
The Government today tabled in Parliament as a 222-page White Paper the complete text of treaties, annexes and exchanges of notes on the granting of independence to Cyprus.—Router.

Serious disaster faced Glasgow

Glasgow, July 7.

The city of Glasgow was on the verge of a very serious disaster on March 28 when a blazing warehouse containing a million gallons of whisky exploded, an inquest was told.

The city's firemaster, Mr. Martin Chadwick added in evidence that firemen were hardly able to control the blaze. It was only the fact that a wind was blowing from an unusual direction which prevented the outbreak from spreading.

A police officer said the most likely cause of the fire in which 14 firemen and five salvage workers died was either carelessness or an electrical fault. The jury, after a three-day hearing, returned a formal verdict that the 19 were struck

"Unfortunately, with the current financial unbalance between Britain and America we probably wouldn't get it back," quipped the magazine, Tailor and Cutter.

In a wry editorial bemoaning the introduction of American styles in men's clothes into Britain, the editorial went into the problem of fending off the latest challenge, the short-sleeved lounge jacket.

It said: "The whole trouble seems to arise from this strange American fixation for abbreviation; already their manufacturing processes seem more concerned with time expended than with ultimate product."

Grunts

"Too, the American's enthusiasm for shortness and simplicity has reduced much of the English language to a series of grunts."

After referring to an unsuccessful attempt "to introduce the wearing of those ludicrous Bermuda shorts for wear with lounge and dinner suits," the editorial goes on:

"If any sustained effort is made to introduce more of these strictly American styles here it is difficult to know what should be done."

"Should we defend ourselves? Undoubtedly. Should we counter attack? Possibly."

Bowlers

"Opening a chain of stores in the U.S. selling nothing but bowler hats and wing collars might be one way of impinging our culture on them for a change."

"Or we could send a gunboat. Walpole would have sent a gunboat."

(Sir Robert Walpole became the King's chief minister in 1722 and is regarded as the first British Prime Minister).—China Mail Special.

INFORMAL LUNCH AT PALACE

London, July 7.

An American newspaper correspondent and a best-selling British author were among the guests at a private informal luncheon party given by the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh at Buckingham Palace today.

The journalist was Mr. Drew Middleton, chief correspondent in London for the New York Times.

The author was Dr. Gordon Ostlere, who while under the name of Richard Gordon, a series of best-selling books beginning with "Doctor In The House."—China Mail Special.

Marconi's radio station site handed to Trust

London, July 7.

The title deeds of part of the site of the radio station which first broadcast Marconi's signals across the Atlantic were handed over to the National Trust here.

The land, 40 acres at Poldhu, Cornwall, was given to the nation by the English Electric group, which now includes the Marconi companies founded by radio pioneer Guglielmo Marconi.

The rest of the site of Marconi's pioneer station was given to the National Trust in 1937. The old wireless station has been dismantled and today only a granite column marks the spot.—China Mail Special.

Kun Tong land sale

Eight lots in Kun Tong reclamation land will be sold at public auctions at the Crown Lands and Survey Office, Central Government Offices, in the near future.

Five of these lots, each measuring 10,000 square feet, are restricted to industrial purposes. Two other lots, measuring 16,840 square feet and 14,245 square feet respectively, are for godown purposes only. The eighth lot, about 6,770 square feet in area, is for commercial and residential purposes.

The sales will be conducted on July 25, July 26, August 2 and August 8, commencing at 3 p.m. The upset price is \$10 per square foot.

Crown land for sale

Ninety-four lots of Crown land in the New Territories measuring between 200 to 1,440 square feet will be sold at public auctions in August and September.

Each lot is restricted to the construction of one village type house, with building covenant from \$1,000 to \$8,000.

Most of the lots are situated in Lantau and Lamma Islands. Some are in Cheung Chau.

Upset prices range from \$50 to \$750.

Churches Union

Archdeacon S. Kau-yan Lee and the Rev. Enoch T. C. Yang have been appointed Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Hong Kong Chinese Christian Churches Union, the Government Gazette notified today.

CATS, STOUT, TOOLS, BOOKS IN AIRDROP

London, July 7.

A consignment of 23 cats, a crate of stout, some excavation tools and 150 British books has been delivered by parachute to the remote village of Bario in northeast Sarawak, by the British Council, it was announced here today.

The cats — to deal with a plague of rats and mice; the crate of stout — a present to Chief Penghulu Lawai who is convalescing after an illness; the books — for illiterate villagers to read, and the excavation tools to clear and level a landing strip for aircraft. — China Mail Special.

NO WIDENING OF CDC

London, July 7.

The House of Commons today endorsed the Government's contention that the Government-sponsored Colonial Development Corporation should not widen its scope to include financial activities in ex-colonies which become independent.

A Labour motion that this "artificial restriction" should be removed was defeated by 178 votes to 139—a government majority of 39.—Reuter.



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BROOKLYN'S 'FESTIVAL' OF MURDER

SUMMER has come to Brooklyn. You can tell it from the damp, crumpled faces of the commuters on the elevated railway which shudders along to Jamaica Beach over Williamsburg with a noise like a Shakespearean thunderstorm.

From the drunk, sound asleep, hunched over the gilt railings of the Chase Manhattan Bank. From the newspapers which rustle and flap along the whole length of the dreary, die-straight scorching pavements.

And across the road, where the pink neon lights flash the sign Funeral Parlour, is the most positive evidence of the equinox Brooklyn has—the body of Nelson Rosado, the 16-year-old who died with a knife in his heart on the first bright day of summer, June the twenty-first, nineteen sixty.

Baseball bats and knives

As certainly as the crowds go to Coney Island as surely as the rich migrate to Miami, teenage blood is shed in Brooklyn during the warm weather.

"The summer is upon us," said a cheerful detective in a white sweater up on the 89th precinct, close by the killing. "The festival has begun."

On the second day of summer, 200 yards from the spot where Rosado pitched over and died, Victor Stockton, a coloured 15-year-old, was set upon by a gang of young men in broad daylight. They were armed with baseball bats and knives. Many of them are hardly old enough to shave.

150 just stood and watched

They dragged him to the middle of the road. They kicked him and beat him with bats. And finally one of them plunged a knife into his stomach. Then they dispersed as swiftly and deftly as they had come.

A crowd estimated at 150 stood and watched them do it. Out in Harlem, Santos Lopez, 15, was shot dead by three men

JEREMY CAMPBELL



reports: New York, Friday

gunning for his brother. And the police have not yet solved the murder of Richard Zambrano (also 15), who was stabbed 124 times recently before being dumped into the East River.

It's just like a business

It happens every summer. Yet this year the alarm bell has been ringing loud and long in the office of Robert Wagner, the jovial Mayor of New York.

Crimes by young people, it has just been disclosed, have increased by five per cent, since last year. Between June and September, 1959, eleven youths died on the pavements of Brooklyn, Harlem and the West Side. This year, with the summer hardly a shirtsoaking week old, the total is already three.

In the last few weeks the situation has been treated as an

The Phantoms prefer butchery to baseball

emergency. A quarter of a million dollars has been released to hire more youth workers to mix with delinquents on the streets.

Police patrols are being strengthened. One hundred and fifty dances have been planned to divert young men from bloodshed. And the youth courts will operate full time for the whole of the summer.

What are the gangs? Their titles are ironic—The Bishops, The Phantoms, The Red Hoods, The Mau-Mau. They are organised like a business, with a president and a vice-president.

Black Mike Pereira, who confessed to killing Nelson Rosado, was the vice-president of The Phantoms.

Somewhere in the hierarchy of most gangs there is an armorer, who decides on weapons, and a war counsellor, who decides where and whom the gangs should fight.

I have my gang-lore from a city youth worker who has helped to bring a hundred of the gangs out into the open.

Drugs are sold at street corners

"It is a separate sub-culture," he said. "The motivation of a killing is illogical to us but to them it is usually a matter of prestige."

"A boy was knifed to death recently during a squabble over who should use a certain swimming pool. Sex is largely a pretext for a fight, since girls are not often highly esteemed by the gangs anyway. So is the race question, because coloured fight coloured and white white."

"Civilians sometimes get hurt, but that is usually because teenagers aim with a gun that is not too good. In general only gang members die, because there is no reputation to be gained from killing an outsider."

Drugs are still widely circulating among juveniles in New York. The hospital for teenage addicts, the only one of its kind in America, is on North Brother's Island, off the southern tip of Manhattan. The other night every single bed was occupied.

"It's a pretty abysmal situation," said the youth worker. To obtain drugs in New York you just need money.

"Pushers sell drugs at the street corners. Most of them are

users, who work on a commission basis—if they sell four bags of dope they get the fifth one free. They're the middlemen. So there's never much chance of arresting the important men in the drug racket.

"Dozens of teenagers take dope. They start on marijuana, then graduate to the hard stuff, heroin. To get them off to a Federal hospital when the local one is full is absolutely heart-breaking."

50 gangs stay underground

"The journey may take 12 hours and by then the boy may have taken another shot of dope which he hid in his coat and all his will to be cured is broken—we've lost him."

"Some gangs won't have addicts. They are considered a bad risk. But most of them are crawling with them."

Fifty New York gangs are still underground—the youth workers have not started to uncover them. They are all armed, or have weapons secreted in rooftops or empty houses where they can be collected at a moment's notice. The racial breakdown is one third white, one third Puerto Rican, the rest Negro.

Many of them say they would like to fight with fists, but like disarmament at the national level, they do not trust the rival gangs to abide by the same rules.

'Social status' for failures

"The gang tradition is a deeply rooted and primitive thing," said the worker. "For a minority group who fail at school, who are too puny to shine at athletics, the gang gives them the social status they have been starved of."

The public outcry at the high rate of juvenile delinquency in New York will strengthen the hand of those who say that the treatment of drug addiction should be a criminal matter, and not the concern of the hospitals.

But it may also flush out the "hidden 50" of the warm-weather killers who prefer butchery to baseball and who, to judge by the unwelcome speed of Mayor Wagner's action, have given him the biggest headache since the scandals at City Hall.

(London Express Service)



KENNEDY... a fine record

KENNEDY or NIXON?

Does it matter to us in Britain?



NIXON... courage and capacity

In just a few days the race to the White House will start in earnest. The Democratic Convention will meet to choose a presidential candidate. The Republicans will meet soon after.

There will be high doings at these Conventions. Delegates from each State will march down the aisle, with flags flying and bands playing. There will be endless speeches; streamers and balloons.

by A. J. P. TAYLOR

Perhaps some candidate will capture the Convention straight away. Otherwise, after public deadlock, the party bosses will elect behind the scenes in a smoke-filled room, and decide who the party's choice is to be.

A CLOSED BOOK

At present it looks as though the Democrats will choose Kennedy. And it seems pretty certain that the Republicans will choose Nixon.

In November one of these two men will be elected next President of the United States. Which of them will it be? I have no idea. American politics are a closed book to me. But I understand something of opinion in this country. And I have a strong feeling that many people here regard the prospect of either Kennedy or Nixon as President with some alarm and dismay.

I think this feeling is wrong in both cases. Let us have a look at the objections. So far as Kennedy is concerned the main thing held against him is that his father, Joe Kennedy, American Ambassador here at the beginning of the Second World War, is supposed to have been a "defeatist." He is said to have reported that this country would not stand up to the Germans.

I've just been looking at the secret reports, now published, which he sent to Washington. He was "defeatist" all right. He thought we had a pretty poor chance if the Germans invaded. He thought before the war started that the British Government would sell out on the Poles if they possibly could.

But where did he get these ideas from? He got them from British leaders: from Chamberlain and Halifax and the Editor of The Times.

THE SOURCE

It was Chamberlain who told Kennedy we couldn't beat Hitler. It was Sir Horace Wilson, Chamberlain's confidential agent, who proposed that President Roosevelt should force the Poles to give in.

If Kennedy senior had a poor opinion of this country, this is not surprising when we consider what he was told by those who were then governing us. I have an impression that some of the whispering campaign against Kennedy comes from men here who remember how they gave themselves away to his father in those dark days.

Any objections to Kennedy do not amount to much when closely examined. And against them Kennedy has a fine record of energetic, popular leadership. Most good judges think he is sincere, which is quite a rare quality in American politics.

OLD HISTORY

Now Nixon, surely he's not sincere? That is the almost universal charge. He's too smooth, too slick with his answers. He's all things to all men.

I doubt these charges too. Perhaps I'm a bit handicapped because Nixon is the only really prominent public figure in any country I have ever talked to privately.

My real faith in Nixon comes from what is now a bit of old history: the Hiss case. In the early days of that affair all the high-minded intellectuals thought that Hiss was a malignant, innocent figure; and that Whitaker Chambers, his accuser, was a nasty man.

So he was. But he was also telling the truth; and Hiss was telling lies. About the only man who spotted this was Nixon. And he didn't do it for popularity's sake.

He cut through appearances to the reality beneath. That's a good omen. Nixon has his difficulties all right. He has had to learn political sense as he went along, which is rather like jumping in at the deep end and then learning to swim. He is saddled too with having been Vice-President in the Eisenhower administration, one of the feeblest and least successful periods in all American history. Yet I see in him the courage and capacity to overcome these defects.

YOUR CHOICE

Look at Kennedy and Nixon. Take your choice. Either of them, if elected, will do big things.

They are both young. They both have confidence and drive. Neither of them will sit around moaning about the decline of Western civilisation.

It is very important they should not. For when the American people elect a President next November, they will be electing the leader of the free world.

That election is not some far-away political scrap which we can watch with amusement from the sidelines. It will settle the fate of all of us for years to come.

GOOD THING

I'm sure that we ought to stand close to the American people. It is a right and good thing that we should care—that we must care—who is going to be elected President of the United States. But it is surely all wrong that we should have to care so much.

The greatest service that we could perform to the American alliance and to the common cause would be to stand on our own feet rather more.

It is a poor sort of ally, who merely behaves like a post relation, waiting for the right cousin to get him out of the mess. Yet that is the guiding principle of all our political leaders, Conservative and Labour.

VIRTUES TOO

What is the foreign policy of Mr Macmillan? Leave it to the Americans.

What is the defence policy of Mr Gaitskill (if he can ever find it)? Leave it to the Americans.

We have no policy of our own in Europe. No policy of our own in the Far East. No policy of our own over nuclear weapons. Our present Government has not even got an economic policy, except to turn off the tap at the first sign of prosperity.

The only policy the Government has is to stay in office. The only policy Labour will ever agree on will be to try to turn them out. And even that looks beyond the capacity of the present Labour leaders.

Kennedy and Nixon both have their faults. But they have virtues too—the virtues of men who care about the world.

What you consider the virtues of these two men, Nixon and Kennedy, is to be said for the world.



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RENE MacCOLL



Waikiki Beach, Honolulu

I DUB this weird spot the world's capsuled capital of the phoney.

If there is anything genuine left around, apart from the wreck of the battleship Arizona, sunk by Jap bombers in Pearl Harbour and still faintly visible at low tide, it has so far eluded your tastefully sports-shirted correspondent.

The muu-muu

As I clambered off the jet plane which had conveyed the White House Press corps here from Seoul, an elderly woman brushed me firmly on both cheeks, cried "Aloha!" (which can mean either "good morning," "good evening," or "goodbye"), and hung about my neck a "lei" made of glass. As some other than President Eisenhower and John F. Kennedy were in process of being similarly decorated, I accepted the situation with what grace I could muster.

However, the grace started to run out just when I reached my hotel and discovered that I was paying nearly £20 a day without

breakfast—but with a pineapple thrown in.

Not are the denizens of the hotel as glamorous a bunch as you might suppose.

Although we are relentlessly pursued at all hours by wailing Hawaiian guitar music which even seems to find an outlet in the banana trees, my fellow guests seem for the most part to be peace-minded school teachers from Iowa and Kansas, their figures not seen to best advantage in beachwear and bathing suits.

Mercifully the muu-muu is all the rage for women this season. The muu-muu is a sort of bedazzled, but bedraggled house coat, brushing the ground as the wearer walks and thus concealing the ravages of too frequent indulgence in carbonhydrates and chocolate malteds.

Rather unexpectedly amid the gaudy scene is the sight of the Union Jack, which forms the Hawaiian State flag.

This is a reminder that Britain's Captain James Cook was murdered here by a couple of centuries ago—but I suppose one must be grateful that British visitors nowadays night and in the light of day

are merely overcharged rather than killed.

As unlooked for as the Union Jack was the appearance of old-time British film star Dorothy MacCall, still the possessor of a figure which should prove an object lesson to some of her fellow guests. Wonderful tan too.

She's buying a house here and seems to be enjoying life quite a lot ("Never forget that I come from Hull, darling—Hull. Ever heard of it?").

Nightspot

Well, this of course is the heart of the hub and there are enough grass skirts (made of plastic) around to stretch from here to eternity.

I had not realised it before, but apparently the hula means a lot more than what you might think it meant.

According to a little brochure I have before me, all the hula singing can indicate "the story of a fishing trip, a great love, or the death of a famous world's No. 1 job." I was in a nightspot called The Forbidden Village, the other being a place to go to

nothing on were really trying to tell the story of a trip with their dance, then they sure had me fooled, for one.

Many words around here are run through twice. (Some of you may be too young to recall that pre-war jest: "Where did you go for your holiday?" "Baden Baden." "All right—I heard you the first time.")

Besides the muu-muu we have the mahi mahi (a form of edible dolphin), not to mention the poodles, which, believe it or not, means hors-d'oeuvre.

This place is so incredibly phoney, so gloriously unreal, so utterly bogus, that it develops a macabre fascination of its own. It is a bit like listening to Baron Munchausen in top form—you know he is lying but you can't help listening.

It is a sort of wild caricature of itself—it wouldn't really surprise me to find that the poodles were plastic too. Perfectly in character with the general atmosphere was the sight of a man in a tuxedo, a white shirt, a red tie, and a white bow tie, standing in the middle of the room, looking at the camera, and saying "Aloha!"

I found this staggering—and I noticed that my American friends were a bit uneasy when I mentioned it.

Oh yes, it is true to say that he put in some work on the report which he made to America.

But it was an open secret that his team of speech-writers did most of the hard work.

Aloha for now

Finally we have with us Walter Winchell, a name to conjure with in American journalism and radio. Winchell, one feels, must have seen too many movies about newspapermen—he insists on keeping his hat on at all times, indoors as well as out.

At the Press conference Winchell asked Hagerly if it was true that Americans were being foisted and forced off the pavements in the streets of Tokyo.

Aloha, hearty laughter—one of his colleagues interrupted to remark "It has it in happening in New York too!" As well, never pardon me while I replace my lei in order to tackle some hot potato, and a hot potato, Aloha for now.

WOMANSENSE

THE PAPER OF YOUTH

Photonews

salute to young talent in design

by
JILL BUTTERFIELD

RECENTLY in one heady summer morning, the fashion future of England was given what could be the boost of its life . . . by a small group of 20-year-olds—pupils of the Royal College of Art's School of Fashion Design.

The school is virtually unique—for rivals, France, Italy, and America, organised as they are in other respects, have no such reservoir of bright young designing talent to draw from.

THANKS TO DIOR

The pupils designed and made all the models themselves—and produced the kind of clothes I'd like to see on every woman in the land.

Many of the suits owe something to Dior's spring line—collarless necklines, jacket short to the hip bone, skirts just covering the knee—with gentle front fullness. But to this Paris mood the students added brilliant individual touches all their own.

They used colour bravely—orange organza shot with silver, gleaming like an apricot ripening in the sun; pink mixed with almost-clashing scarlet.

They used fabric (90 per cent of it British) with pitch and panache—carving men's striped grey flannel into a completely feminine suit; topping a trailing silver skirt with a bodice of crusty white lace.

And they adapted the "art nouveau" prints of the William Morris era into fashion which was strictly Morris for moderns.

AN INFUSION

But what does it all mean to you? Quite a lot, I hope. For shrewd manufacturers already rely on the school to add an annual infusion of fresh young blood into their firms.

My one plea is when they get this current crop of students into their factories they don't clip their wings too closely or confine them to a cut-price commercial cage.



Palest pink linen dress and eye-topping button on cape. By Lindsay Robertson.



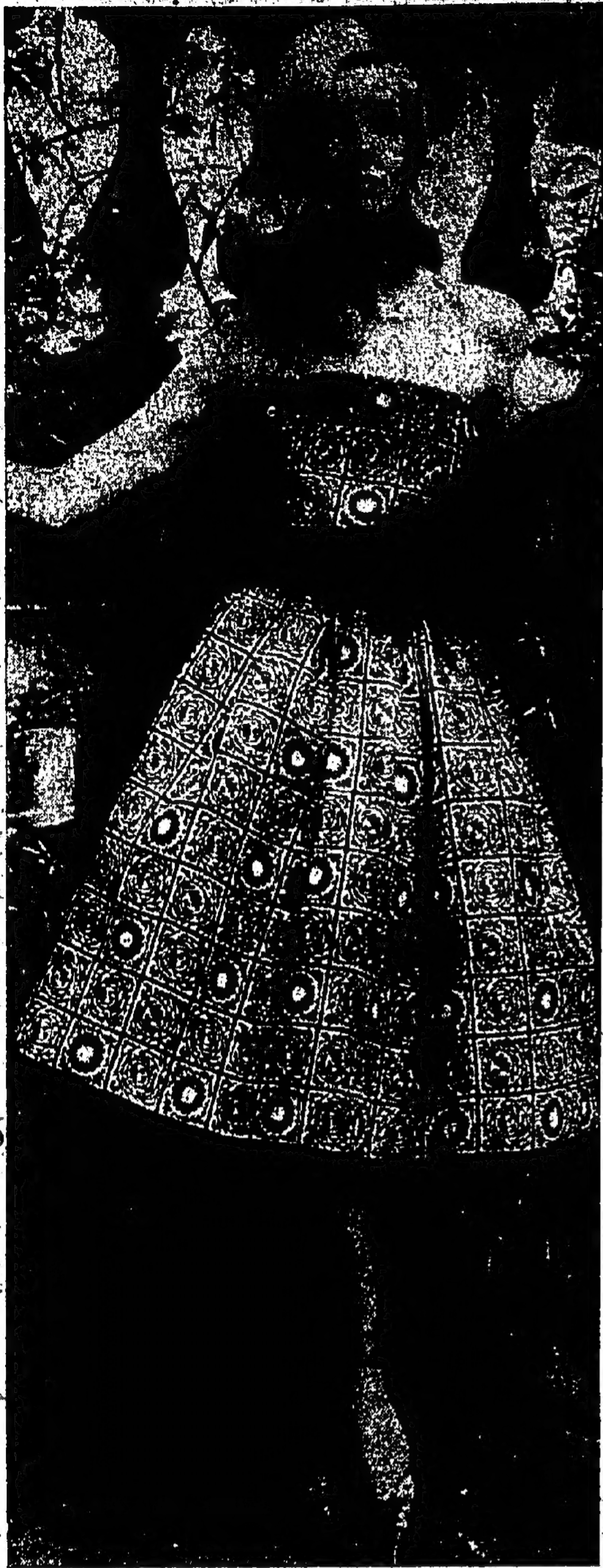
Anne Provins uses an "art nouveau" blue and turquoise linen for a flared sheath.



Jauenty little brown and white jersey suit. Designed by Sylvia Ayton.



Printed nylon jersey for a low-backed evening dress. Designer, Granville Proctor.



Moyra O'Donnell designed this full-skirted summer evening dress sashed in brown organdie. The fabric is adapted from an original William Morris design.

PICTURES BY MICHAEL MCKEOWN

LADY LUCK

your
CHINA MAIL
horoscope

FRIDAY, JULY 8

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Close attention to your health should go hand in hand with the unusually strenuous work you are doing at present.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): Your heart's desire will soon be fulfilled beyond your most optimistic expectations.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may have to alter your holiday plans owing to the arrival of an old friend from abroad, but the pleasure of his company will be ample compensation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Conditions within your family may pose something of a problem, but with your usual common sense you should be able to find the right solution.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): If you have a genuine grievance in connection with your work, don't bottle up your resentment but take steps to discuss the matter calmly with the proper authority.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): It may be a strain for you to give your full attention to your work at present, but you cannot afford to relax just at this time.

LEO (July 22-August 21): A confidential matter

entrusted to you should remain so unless you want to arouse unnecessary jealousy.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): Avoid complications in a matter of finance by not getting more deeply involved than your funds will permit.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): You would be wrong to dismiss an apparently small matter too lightly, as it may have an important bearing on your future.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): A person largely dependent on you ought to be encouraged to find some means of relying more on his own efforts.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): For the sake of your own peace of mind you should be willing to compromise in a matter of minor importance.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Your interest in the arts will be greatly stimulated by a visit to a most interesting exhibition.

YOUR BIRTHDAY—If this is your birthday you will find the going much easier in the coming year, since you have been able lately to put your finances on a more solid basis.

This growing craze of getting



back to nature

By BARBARA GRIGGS

THE most crowded

corner of a Knightsbridge store in London is the Health Juice Bar, where about 600 people a day, including regular daily clients, come to down parsley juice, spinach and tomato, watercress and carrot, blackcurrant and milk.

People pay fortunes to go and spend a fortnight in a country house where their diet will be an austere fruit-juice, and vegetable one and come back raving about the improvement in skin, health and general blem-etc.

Rose leaves

In one of London's most chic hair and beauty salons, the facials begin with a vapour treatment of steamed crushed herbs and rose leaves, may go on with an egg yolk and honey masque, and end up with creams made from no chemicals at all but a sweet natural pharmacy of calendula and chamomile, of rosemary and thyme.

One of today's best-selling books is called Folk Medicine, and preaches the supreme therapeutic virtues of honey and cider-vinegar (sales of both have jumped).

The market is suddenly teeming with new health drinks. The range of three-glass-plus drinks (loaded with natural vitamin C), the Swiss quartet of pure beetroot, celery, tomato and carrot-juice, and a new native, eight-vegetable juice blending celery, tomato, carrot, beetroot, parsley lettuce, spinach and watercress.

And within the next month, a new food shop will be opened in Baker Street by the Organic Food Society in which everything sold will have been grown organically—no chemical fertilisers or devaluing processing.

The society's chief anxiety is whether they will be able to secure enough stock to meet demand.

The increasing momentum of this back-to-nature rush is both odd and impressive. "Cranks" is one of the keenest terms of dispraise in the English language, and 10 years ago if there was one section of the community to whom the public united in applying it, it was the group of zealots about diet and health to whom the description "natural" is a guarantee of value, and "processed" "synthetic" and "chemical" a trio of dirty words.

The group were anti-inoculation and never touched white bread; who campaigned violently against fluoridation and chlorination of public drinking water; who brought the use of chemical fertilisers in agriculture to a natural and national disaster; and in other ways set their face against the accepted order of things.

The change in public opinion towards cranks has been, and still is, slow and unobtrusive. It is, nevertheless, a remarkable one.

Never was there a time when people were more feverishly preoccupied with their health. Alongside this public stirring of interest there goes on an immense amount of quiet background activity, much of it controversial and disquieting.

Diseases

MAY it not be, these people ask, that the so-called diseases of civilisation—polio, arterial and disseminated sclerosis, cancer, heart disease, the appalling increase in cases of mental disorder—are primarily nutritional diseases, due to our chemically produced, processed, devalued, artificially coloured food?

Has all the goodness been bleached out of our bread? Is the vital farming soil of our country being impoverished by the use of chemical fertilisers?

Half an hour with a crank is a disconcerting experience. They labour under heavy disadvantages, the chief of which is financial.

A dozen benevolent Lord Nuffields to finance agricultural experiment, biological research, independent food production, propaganda and education would scarcely be too much.

The movement is hamstrung even more disastrously by its lunatic fringe—the odd spiritual cliques that proliferate along its wake; the ghastly eccentricity of some of its more earnest advocates; to whom any red-blooded person's reaction is, order another gin-and-tonic, relax, and forget the whole thing.

In spite of which the cranks exude a quiet and forceful optimism. After all, they feel, you can't go against nature for ever.

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Rupert and the Squire—29



Chirpie's Best News

—He Makes Knarf And Hamid Guess What Is Is—

By MAX TRELL

CHIRPIE Sparrow was one of the best newspapers in the world. "I'd repeat that so there is no mistake," Chirpie Sparrow was one of the best newspapers in the world.

Brought news

When Chirpie came to the window sill in the morning, he didn't only come to eat the bread crumbs that Knarf and Hamid, the Shadow-Children with the Turned-Around Names, always spread out for him. He also came to tell the news.

Chirpie knew everything that happened. He also knew quite a lot of things that were going to happen.

Now the minute that Chirpie landed on the window sill, Hamid would loop the magic talking ribbon around his neck. She did that to make him talk English.

How many cats?

"Guess," he said on this particular morning after Hamid had looped the magic talking ribbon around his neck. "guess how many Cats there are going to be in Mrs Martin's back yard next week?"

"None," said Hamid. "Mrs Martin hasn't got any Cats. She's got a Dog!"

Hamid said this quite proudly. It was something she really knew. In fact, she had spoken to Mrs Martin, and Mrs Martin had said that she didn't like Cats.

"Thirteen," said Chirpie. Here Hamid and Knarf both shouted.

"Thirteen Cats in Mrs Martin's back yard?"

Maybe fourteen

"Maybe fourteen," said Chirpie, because a Kitten might come, too. "Fardon me, please."

And Chirpie, without paying any further attention to Knarf and Hamid, started pecking at the bread crumbs.

"But Chirpie," Hamid kept saying, "how do you know there are going to be all those Cats in Mrs Martin's back yard next week?"

Wiped his beak

After finishing about half the crumbs on the window sill, Chirpie neatly wiped his beak on the edge of the sill and said:

"How do I know there are going to be all those Cats in Mrs Martin's back yard next week? I'll tell you. I was standing on the clothesline just over the wooden fence at the end of Mrs Martin's backyard and I hear a grey Cat say to a black Cat:

"We're going to do some singing one night next week. Would you like to come?"

Other cats?

"The black Cat said he would very much like to come but he wanted to know what other Cats were coming."

"All the Cats in the whole neighbourhood," said the grey Cat.

Chirpie stopped and had another crumb.



"You're getting close," said Chirpie, the Sparrow.

"And I know that there are thirteen Cats and one Kitten in the neighbourhood," said Chirpie after he had swallowed. "And do you know how many more Pigeons are going to be living in the bellify of the church across the street beginning tomorrow?"

Two more pigeons

"Beginning tomorrow there are going to be two more Pigeons than there are today. How do I know?" asked Chirpie. "It's simple. And no one told me, either."

"There are two eggs in one of the Pigeon nests up in that church bellify. I looked at the eggs. I put my ear to them and listened. Tomorrow those two eggs are going to crack and two new Pigeons are going to come out!"

Chirpie ate some more crumbs. When he had eaten every last one of them, he said: "But I haven't told you the best piece of news of all. I was saving that for the last."

Knarf and Hamid begged Chirpie to tell them the last and best piece of news.

Four more what?

"It's just this," said Chirpie, "this afternoon there are going to be four more—" Chirpie stopped.

"Guess," he said. "Puppies," said Knarf.

"Mice," said Hamid. "No," said Chirpie. "Keep guessing."

"Fish," said Knarf. "Four more Babies," said Hamid.

"You're getting close," said Chirpie. "What kind of Babies?"

Knarf and Hamid finally had to give up.

What kind

"What kind of Babies, please?" asked Hamid.

"Sparrows," said Chirpie. Knarf and Hamid let out a shout.

"Sparrows! Four more Sparrows! Whose four more Sparrows?" they both asked.

"Mine!" said Chirpie. And he took the talking ribbon off his neck, laid it carefully on the window sill and flew off chirping something that sounded almost exactly like:

"Now what do you think of that!"

JACOBY BRIDGE

EDGAR KAPLAN of New York is one of our greatest young players. In addition, he has an active mind and has suggested many ideas in bidding.

Some I don't like, but one in particular is a dilly. Any good partnership will do well to adopt it.

This bid is called the short suit try. Specifically, after your partner has raised your opening major suit bid to two, you can still jump right to game if your hand calls for it.

With a doubtful hand on which you'd like to try another bid, you simply bid your shortest suit.

Now, if our partner has strength in that suit he'll realise the hand will be a nut. If he has strength in other suits he'll realise his high cards will help.

Now look at today's hand. South has a nice opening bid but

his hand is barely worth some rebid after his partner's single raise. Playing the short suit try, he will bid three clubs.

North has a minimum raise, but that short suit try is his dish. He sees that his diamond ace is really going to be valuable and that his doubton heart will help his partner also.

North jumps right to four hearts.

With the diamond opening, South will have 10 tricks with the heart and a small reserve.

Now look at today's hand. South has a nice opening bid but

NORTH 21			
♠ QJ82			
♥ 92			
♦ 8543			
♣ 73			
EAST			
♠ J1076			
♥ Q1087			
♦ A98			
♣ KJ107			
SOUTH (D)			
♠ AK1076			
♥ K854			
♦ KJ3			
♣ 2			
Both vulnerable			
South	West	North	East
1♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♣	Pass	4♥	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦ 2			

♥-CARD Sense

Q—The bidding has been:

West North East South

1♥ 1♠ Pass 2♥

Pass 3♥ Pass 4♥

You, South, hold:

♠ K1075 ♡ A1087 ♦ 83 ♣ 2

What do you do?

A—4♥. Your partner's four hearts bid is interpreted as a limit bid. It shows a strong hand with a good trump suit. It also shows a good side suit in hearts.

Now look at today's hand. South has a nice opening bid but

his hand is barely worth some rebid after his partner's single raise. Playing the short suit try, he will bid three clubs.

Fluctuating fortune in Test match

Geoff Pullar makes auspicious return to County Cricket

London, July 7. England opening batsman Geoff Pullar, who broke a wrist-bone in the first Test against South Africa, returned to County Cricket today by scoring a splendid 94 for Lancashire against Somerset at Old Trafford.

Pullar showed no signs of the injury in his 2½ hours' stay at the crease and hit a six and eight fours. Asked to bat on a drying pitch, Lancashire piled on 304 for three wickets declared in less than four hours. Top scorer was John Bond with 105 including two sixes and 11 fours.

Rare appearance

Former England batsman, Reverend David Sheppard, made one of his rare appearances for Sussex and hit a great 100 in 225 minutes with one six and 12 fours. Sussex declared at 284 for five.

A run-a-minute stand of 190 between the Nawab of Pataudi and J. Burki put Oxford University well on top against Cambridge University at Lord's.

Surrey refused to be overawed by Warwickshire's mammoth 377 for no wicket declared and at stumps had replied with 323 for four. Top scorer was John Edrich with 154.

Another century-maker was Yorkshire's Philip Sharpe with a superb 152 against Kent.

Yorkshire totalled 315 after losing four for 23 yesterday.

Scores

Close of play scores in today's cricket matches were:

At Hove: Hampshire 259 and 60 for no wicket (R. Marshall 40 not out). Sussex 284 for five declared (D. Sheppard 100, D. Smith 43).

At Sheffield: Yorkshire 315 (P. Sharpe 152, J. Wilson 59). Kent 52 for no wicket.

At the Oval: Warwickshire 377 for no wicket declared. Surrey 323 for four (J. Edrich 154, A. Parsons 75).

At Lord's: Cambridge University 153 and 88 for one (A. Lewis 51 not out). Oxford University 310 (Nawab of Pataudi 131, J. Burki 79).

At Westcliff: Essex 180 and 107 (G. Smith 53, L. Ralph 43, F. Timmus five for 43). Middlesex 139 (T. Bailey five for 38) and 73 for two.

At Bristol: Gloucestershire 334 for nine declared. Glamorgan 103 and 19 for two.

At Old Trafford: Lancashire 304 for three declared (G. Pullar 94, J. Bond 105 not out, K. Grieves 52). Somerset 182 for three (P. Wright 45).

At Worcester: Leicestershire 292 and 105 for one (M. Hallam 47). Worcestershire 194 (D. Richardson 85).—Reuter.

Record profit for Wolves

London, July 7. Wolverhampton Wanderers, who won the English Football Cup this year, made a record profit of £22,780 this season.

Since the club has been under the direction of Mr. Stanley Cullis, it has made, over 12 seasons, a total profit of £215,002.—AFP.

ENGLAND END FIRST DAY WITH 242 FOR SEVEN AFTER BEING 154 FOR FIVE

Cowdrey gets his 3,000th Test run

Nottingham, July 7.

England gave an inconsistent display of batting in the third Test at Trent Bridge today, after winning the toss for the eighth consecutive time. When five wickets were down for 154 South Africa held a commanding position but they were thwarted by Ken Barrington and Ray Illingworth who added 75 in the best stand of the day.

In the end, England finished with a total of 242 for seven wickets, by no means a handsome score, but satisfactory according to the modern way of playing Test cricket. They averaged 40 runs an hour.

In most respects this was by far the best day's cricket in the present series. Colin Cowdrey, the England captain at last found his form for his country. He held the batting together during the early part of the day when he made 67.

The first hour's cricket tomorrow could have an important bearing on the final result. England need another 100 runs from their tail bats South Africa, though they may be without John Waite, the wicketkeeper-batsman, who has dislocated a finger, are certain to continue their praiseworthy challenge.

Good start

Following their defeat at Edgbaston and at Lord's it must have been a bitter disappointment to Jackie McGlew when he again called wrongly and had to lead his team on to the field.

At first things went well for England, and by lunch the total reached 82 for the loss of Earnan Subba Row. Afterwards South Africa, despite losing Waite bowled and fielded with tremendous enthusiasm and England found themselves engaged in a desperate struggle for runs.

Jim Potchecary shared the new ball with Neil Adcock and in his first Test over he might have removed Cowdrey who played at but missed several balls that beat him. Subba Row created a much better impression in the early stages than Cowdrey.

McGlew made Jon Fellows-Smith his first change after fifty minutes and he was followed by Trevor Goddard and Hugh Tayfield.

To Tayfield went the distinction of breaking the opening stand after 85 minutes when both Cowdrey and Subba Row appeared to have settled down to a long stay.

The third ball of Tayfield's first over deceived the Northamptonshire left-hander who pushed forward but played outside it. From then on Cowdrey and Dexter paid the utmost respect to Tayfield who conceded only two runs in his first over, but Cowdrey had the very first ball after the interval but soon afterwards Waite in reaching for a high ball from Adcock, met with his injury.

Another substantial stand appeared likely to develop between Cowdrey and Ken Barrington.

The England captain completed his 3,000 runs in Test cricket with a masterly hook almost over the wicketkeeper's head from Adcock.

It should be emphasised that this is no mean feat in Cowdrey's part. These runs have been made in the course of 78 innings he has played in 47 Tests.

Only eight other England batsmen in the history of Test cricket have made as many runs. W. R. Hammond heads the list with 7,249 runs in 140 innings from 85 Tests.

Two-wicket over

Adcock kept up a fiery pace for an hour after lunch and then another bowling change again brought South Africa immediate success.

The tall Trevor Goddard, bowling left-arm medium pace over the wicket, not only trapped Cowdrey with his third delivery but his fifth dismissed Mike Smith for a duck.

Cowdrey who batted two hours fifty minutes and hit eight fours gave Fellows-Smith an easy slip catch. Smith, a notorious bad starter, instead

of using his bat pushed out his left leg at a ball which struck his right leg and was out leg before.

Forty minutes later when Jim Parks was helping Barrington to repair the damage, the Sussex player was run out going for a risky second run when Roy McLean was the fielder in the deep. McLean made a lightning return and Tayfield, the bowler, broke the wicket. England were clearly in trouble but after tea, taken with the total 161 for five, Barrington found a reliable partner in Illingworth.

Sharp catch

Illingworth stayed for an hour and fifty minutes before he gave a sharp return catch to Tayfield.

The Barrington-Illingworth stand of 75 appeared to have restored the advantage to England but with only five minutes left South Africa evened the fight through Goddard who, helped by the lift from the pitch, found the edge of Barrington's bat for O'Leary to gather the catch.

A year ago Barrington twice made 80 and also hit 81 against India. Now he fell again at 80 after an almost faultless display which lasted three hours fifty minutes and contained seven fours.

This was an excellent day's cricket, but only 9,600 were present to see it.—AFP.

TEST SCORES

FIRST DAY

ENGLAND

First innings.
R. Subba Row, b Tayfield... 30
M. C. Cowdrey, c Fellows-Smith... 67
E. R. Dexter, b Adcock... 3
K. F. Barrington, c O'Leary, b Goddard... 80
M. J. K. Smith lbw Goddard... 0
J. M. Parks run out... 16
R. Illingworth, c and b Tayfield... 37
P. M. Walker not out... 5
F. S. Trueman not out... 0
Extras... 4

Total (for seven wickets) 242
Fall of wickets: 1-57, 2-82, 3-129, 4-129, 5-154, 6-229, 7-241.
To bat: J. B. Statham and A. E. Moss.

Bowling Analysis to date
Adcock... 21... 67... 1
Potchecary... 20... 5... 42... 0
Fellows-Smith... 5... 0... 17... 0
Goddard... 32... 15... 54... 3
Tayfield... 28... 11... 58... 2
South Africa: D. J. McGlew, T. A. Goddard, J. H. B. Waite, R. A. McLean, S. O'Leary, P. R. Carlisle, C. Wesley, J. P. Fellows-Smith, H. J. Tayfield, J. E. Potchecary, N. A. T. Adcock.

Umpires: F. S. Lee and C. S. Elliott.—AFP.

BRITISH OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Vicenzo keeps lead as 47 qualifiers go into 36-hole finals today

St Andrews, July 7.

Roberto De Vicenzo, 37-year-old Mexican champion, gave one of the most perfect displays of golf ever seen on the 6,936 yards Old Course here today to retain the lead in the Centenary British Open Golf Championship.

He scored a second 67 for a 36 holes total of 134—the lowest total at this stage since Henry Cotton completed the first 36 holes in 132 on his way to win the title in 1934.

Two strokes ahead

De Vicenzo's score puts him two strokes ahead of his nearest rival, Australian champion Kel Nagie, who also had a 67 today.

Next on 141, are Arnold Palmer, the United States champion (71 today), Peter Thomson, the Australian who has won the title four times (68) and Sebastian Miguel, of Spain (68).

Gary Player, South African holder of the championship, took 71 today to end on 143 for a share of eighth place.

Japan's challenge ended with the elimination of Suemasa Shimamura, who followed his first round 79 with a 78 today to finish well outside the qualifying limit with a total of 157.

Argentinian-born De Vicenzo hit his drives smoothly and for immense distances. He reached the turn in 34 with the aid of a ten-foot putt for a birdie three at the seventh.

He was three under four at the 18th tee. A great pitched second to within two feet of the pin gave him a birdie three, and with a huge drive and pitch-and-run second he did the 17th in four.

Nawab of Pataudi emulates late father's feat

London, July 7.

A splendid stand of 198 at a run a minute between Javed Burki of Pakistan and the Nawab of Pataudi of India today put Oxford well on top against Cambridge on the second day of the annual Inter-Varsity cricket match at Lord's.

Pataudi, aged 19, achieved the personal satisfaction of making a century in his first Varsity match, a feat also achieved by his late father, who hit 106 in the 1929 match.

He showed himself a batsman in the same classic mould as his father, sound in defence and endowed with a wide range of strokes. His on-side play, driving and hooking in particular, was most impressive and brought him many of his 10 boundaries, which included one six, during an innings of 131 in just under four hours.

THREE CHANCES
He gave three hard chances, at 42, 48 and 86. But Javed, very safe and assured, played chanceseasily in hitting 79 in three and a half hours, including 11 fours.

The Asian partners, who made 48 overnight, faced varying pitch conditions because of two interruptions by heavy showers, but nothing perturbed them.

The wickets tumbled later in the innings. But a last wicket stand of 36—the second best innings—between Andrew Corran and another Asian, Dean Piacchier, of Ceylon, increased the total to 310.

Scores at the close of today's play were:
Oxford: First innings 310 (Nawab of Pataudi 131, J. Burki 79, A. Corran 18, D. Sayer 17 and J. Piacchier 15 not out; Hard 2-53, Brodrie 2-7, Corles 2-74 and Willard 2-87).—AFP.

Finally, he sent an 11 yards putt rolling in for another birdie three on the home green.

Player's putting let him down again—he estimated he took a total of 35 putts in his round of 72. "It is unbelievable," he said.

A total of 47 players—38 professionals and nine amateurs—with scores of 149 and better qualified for tomorrow's final 36 holes.

Qualifiers

Qualifiers for Friday's 36-hole final of the British Open Golf Championship are:

Roberto De Vicenzo, Mexico, 67-67-134.
Kel Nagie, Australia, 68-68-136.
Arnold Palmer, U.S., 70-71-141.
Peter Thomson, Australia, 73-69-142.
Sebastian Miguel, Spain, 73-68-141.
Fidel De Luca, Argentina, 69-73-142.
L. B. Ayton, England, 73-69-142.
Gary Player, South Africa, 72-71-143.
Eric Brown, Scotland, 72-68-143.
Maj. David Blair, Scotland, 70-73-143.
Ralph Moffitt, England, 72-71-143.
Peter Shank, England, 70-73-143.
Harold Henning, South Africa, 72-73-145.
Garry Wolstenholme, England, 74-70-144.
Harry Weetman, England, 70-74-144.
James Martin, Scotland, 73-71-144.
Dai Rees, Wales, 73-71-144.
Ian Smith, Scotland, 74-70-144.
Dr F. W. G. Deighton, Scotland, 74-70-144.
Joe Carr, Ireland, 72-73-145.
John Jacobs, England 74-71-145.
E. B. Williamson, England, 73-79-145.
Bernard Hunt, England, 72-73-145.
Peter Mills, England, 71-74-145.
Neil Jack, Scotland, 74-71-145.
W. D. Smith, Scotland, 74-71-145.
G. M. Hunt, England, 74-68-143.
Ken Bonfield, England, 70-75-145.
Angel Miguel, Spain, 72-73-145.
Ramon Sola, Spain, 74-73-146.
Bill Johnson, U.S., 75-74-146.
Jose Maria Gonzalez, Brazil, 73-74-146.
A. M. Deboys, Scotland, 76-70-146.
Christy O'Connor, Ireland, 80-67-147.
Tom Halliburton, England, 77-70-147.
John Macdonald, England, 76-71-147.
F. B. Boobyer, England, 74-74-148.
D. Marcelino Sola, Spain, 73-75-148.
F. J. Butler, Scotland, 76-72-148.
David Miller, England, 75-73-148.
Bill Johnson, U.S., 75-74-148.
Teopoldo Ruiz, Argentina, 72-77-149.
Tony Coop, England, 76-73-149.
R. A. G. Munro, England, 72-77-149.
Ronnie D. B. M. Shade, England, 76-74-149.
Bob Verwey, South Africa, 73-76-149.
Amateurs—Reuter and AP.

Vespa Club's Hill Climb on Sunday

By OLLY VAS

The Vespa Club will hold its fourth competitive event of the year on Sunday, July 10, at Golden Hill (on the way to Shatin), Kowloon. This will be in the form of a Hill Climb, which will be the second to be held this year, the first having been successfully run off over a somewhat straight course at Stanley earlier in the year.

Twenty-four scooters are entered this time and the field is evenly spread out between the G. S. models and the 150cc machines, there being 11 of the former and 10 of the latter. Three of the less powerful scooters, the 125cc's make up the rest of the entries.

Among the contestants there will be two lady drivers, the Misses Fern Horra and Anna Ding, both on 150cc machines.

SHORTER COURSE

The course, this time of 0.55 miles, will be shorter than the one at Stanley but it will be a trickier one for the competitors, as there are hairpin bends nearly all the way with only an occasional straight stretch. There will be two runs, the winner in each class being the driver who records the best average time over the course. The first run will be held at 11 a.m. with another scheduled for 2.30 p.m.

All judges, timekeepers and competitors will later convene at the Shatin Inn for dinner. The Calver Cup, one for the winner in each category will be presented immediately after the dinner.

The Portuguese drivers swept the board in the three classes in the first Hill Climb and as they are strongly represented, again there is a distinct possibility of their doing it again—but we will have to wait and see.

Jacobs takes over Canadian Open Golf lead

Toronto, July 7.

Tommy Jacobs, a promising Californian professional, put together a string of five straight birdies today en route to a seven-under-par 65 and the lead in the 51st Canadian Open Golf Championship.

The 25-year-old Jacobs shot 69 yesterday and today's 30-35 gave him a 36-hole total of 134. Bob Goosby of Chrysler River, Florida, registered a pair of 88's over the rolling par 35-37-72 St. George's course for a two-day 138 total. Al Geirberger, newcomer of the year on the tournament trail, was only three shots off the leader with 69-68-137.

Other scores included: Len Woodward, Australia, 73-70-143.
Rediet Walman, South Africa, 68-73-141.
Bruce Champion, Australia, 72-76-147.—UPL.

Baseball results

New York, July 7.

Results of baseball matches played today included:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Kansas City... 3 10 0
Detroit... 6 9 0

(First Game)

Washington... 6 11 1
Boston... 5 12 1

(Second game)

Washington... 2 4 1
Boston... 4 12 2
New York... 6 11 3
Baltimore... 3 8 0
Chicago... 9 13 0
Cleveland... 3 7 1

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis... 7 9 1
San Francisco... 3 9 1

(First game)

Philadelphia... 0 5 3
Milwaukee... 2 8 0

—AP.

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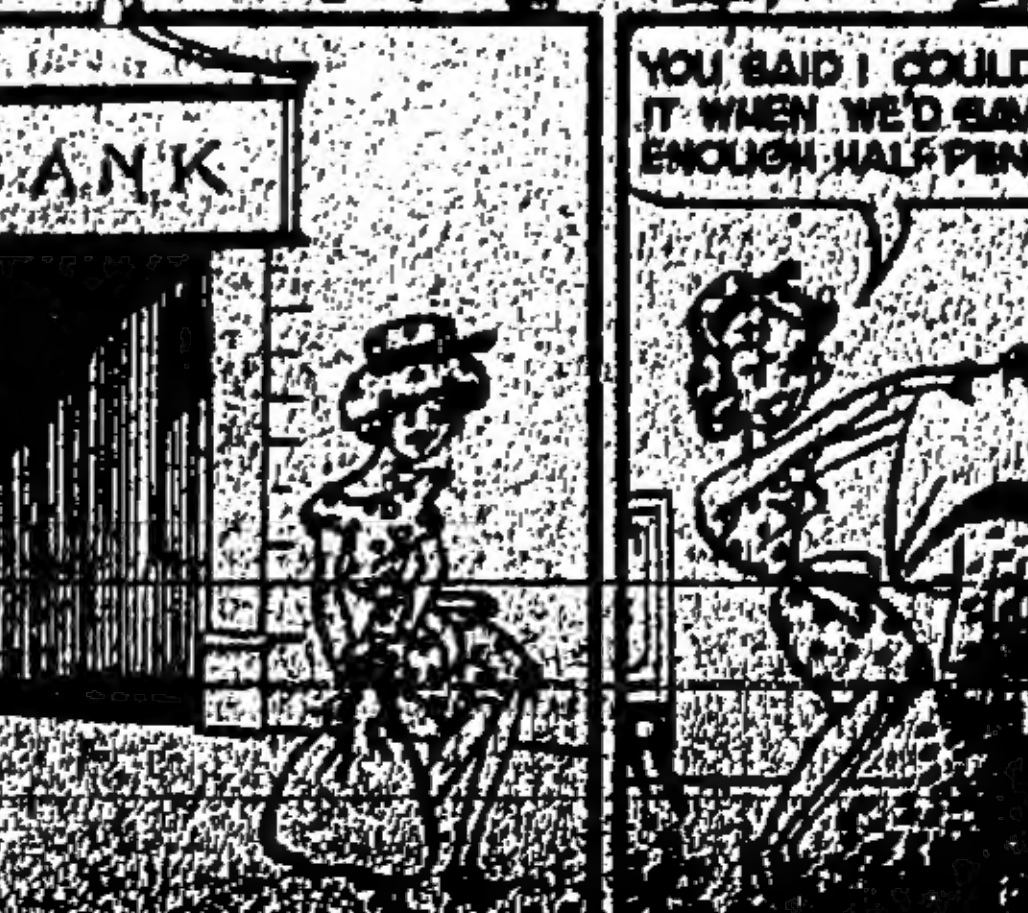
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Court hears of man who "embraced" detective in street

A detective told the Victoria District Court this morning that a man came up to him in Nathan Road and "embraced" him.

The man then shouted: "Run! Run! Run!" to a woman the detective had arrested earlier for stealing, and the woman ran away.

The detective, Corporal Wong Kit, told Judge Derek Cons that he struggled with the man, and arrested him for forcibly rescuing the woman, who he said was in lawful custody. Before the court was the "rescuer," 46-year-old Wong Ah-kun, of Hut 1, Hung Chong Road, Diamond Hill, Kowloon City, charged with simple larceny and with the forcible rescue of the woman from police custody.

Day off

Questioned by Chief Inspector T. W. Wheeler, prosecuting, witness said that although it was his day off, a policeman was on duty all the time. Corp. Wong said he was walking along Nathan Road on April 17, when he saw a man (the accused) and a woman walking round a shoe shop showcase outside No. 632 Nathan Road.

They walked three times

round the showcase and then the accused "bumped" into a woman shopper's handbag.

The detective said that when the accused had passed, the woman, he saw the woman's handbag was open. He followed the accused and the woman up Nathan Road, but they saw they were being followed, and started to run.

Witness said he caught the woman, but the accused escaped. The woman shopper, Mrs. Wu Shi-lee Cheung, told the witness she had lost \$85 from her handbag.

Corp. Wong said he

arrested the girl, and intended to take her to a police station. He started to hold her hand, but the woman said she was "embarrassed" by this, so he let go.

At the junction of Nathan Road and Argyle Street, the accused suddenly rushed at him from behind and embraced him, the detective said.

The hearing continues.
Mr. Patrick Yu represents Wong, the accused.

HERBALIST HELD ON BAIL OF \$10,000

A 42-year-old Chinese woman herbalist accused of using instruments with intent to procure a miscarriage was remanded seven days on bail of \$10,000 or in jail custody by Mr. E. S. Haydon in Kowloon Court this morning. The Wai-lan of 743 C Nathan Road, first floor, was represented by Mr. Peter Mo. She entered no plea. She is charged with intent to procure a miscarriage on To Kam-har on about June 22, this year, by unlawfully using an instrument or some other means unknown. Inspector H. P. M. Hunt is prosecuting.

G. M. Goldsack appointed to Council

Mr. G. M. Goldsack has been appointed an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council from July 1, 1960 to June 30, 1961, the Government Gazette notified today. Mr. Kwok Chan has been appointed (provisionally) an Unofficial Member of the Executive Council during the absence from the Colony of Sir Sik-nin Chau, the Gazette added.

New ferry service to Lamma

The Hongkong and Yumati Ferry Co. Ltd. is planning to run a new service between Hongkong and Lamma Island.

Mr. Lau Chan-kuo, Managing Director of the company, told the China Mail this morning that the tentative plan provides for three round-trips a day. One boat, the Man Ping, will be put on the run between the Wilmer Street pier, West Point, Hongkong, and the newly-built public pier in Sok Ku Wan, Lamma Island.

NO DATE

"The new service will not only benefit the villagers on the island, but will be a great boon for the many people who want to visit Lamma Island, the third largest in the Colony."

Mr. Lau said that no definite date has been set yet for the commencement of the new service.

Mr. Lau said he hoped Government would soon build a pier at Yung Shu Wan, a more populous area than Sok Ku Wan.

FHKI APPOINTMENT

Mr. M. S. Cumming has been appointed to act as Chairman of the General Committee of the Federation of Hongkong Industries during the absence from the Colony of Sir Sik-nin Chau, the Government Gazette notified today.

The Gazette also notified the appointment of Mr. Wong Tung-yuen as a member of the General Committee of the Federation.

From the Files 25 years AGO July, 1935

FEVERISH war preparations still continue in Abyssinia and the adjoining Italian colonies of Eritrea and Somaliland.

Astonishing scenes of activity are being witnessed at Massawa, the Italian seaport where troops are being landed in thousands.

Water supplies have proved totally inadequate, disease and pestilence are rearing their heads. Yet still the ships of war come, despite the fact that sunstroke, dysentery and fever are already taking a heavy toll among the raw off-boats in uniform.

Signor Mussolini's army is the largest European force ever to land in Africa.

More than 100,000 men have passed through the Suez Canal since March 27. A tiny spark will fire the powder mine in north-east Africa.

Vice-Consul

Mr. M. R. Chivovskijakov Varavarn has been recognised, provisionally, as Vice-Consul for Thailand at Hongkong, the Government Gazette notified today.

Government appointments gazetted

The Government Gazette this morning announced the following appointments, transfers, promotions and postings:

Mr. T. Creedon and Mr. W. F. Pickering to be Senior Magistrates.

Mr. Walter Young Wing-tai to be Assistant Secretary for Chinese Affairs. Mr. Law Chung-kam resumed duty as Senior Education Officer on return from leave; Mr. Tsang Koon-cook, Education Officer, ceased to act as Senior Education Officer.

Mr. K. B. Baker to be Assistant Chief Mechanical Engineer; Mr. G. G. Green to be Rating and Valuation Surveyor; Dr. R. W. Holloway to act as Assistant Director of Medical and Health Services during the absence of Dr. G. C. Franklin; Dr. E. N. F. Browne to act as Principal Medical and Health Officer; Dr. Wu Fung Fui-wai to be Woman Medical Officer; Miss M. E. Clarke and Miss M. J. Matthews to be Nursing Sisters. Mr. Li Fook-kow to be Deputy Commissioner of Labour and Deputy Commissioner of Mines; Mr. Lao Mou-chi to act as Labour Officer.

Jesuit Order

The Rev. Fr Herbert Vargan, SJ, has been appointed Procurator in Hongkong of the English Assisi of the Jesuit Order, the Government Gazette notified today.

Audit Board

Mr. S. S. Gordon has been reappointed to be a member of the Authorised Auditors Board, the Government Gazette notified today.

Corruption—the root cause

dear sir

When the Coroner, Mr. A. J. Sangreth, recently spoke out about "so much delegation of functions by superiors to subordinates," he struck the wooden skewer on its thicker end, as the Chinese proverb has it.

Now although he was not actually referring to corruption, he put his finger right on the root cause of the present state of corruption in the colony. After four years in the colony watching how corruption works, I for one, blame the executives for not getting out and about and seeing for themselves how their departments are functioning. Anyone who tries to get at the head of any section of government is frustrated from the start by local employees who are vested with so much authority that whatever is at stake, they are in a position to make favours and receive favours in return.

Advice is often given to newcomers: "Just leave it to the number one Chinese. He knows all the ropes. The department runs itself." Of course it does, and that's how the Chinese staff like it.

Should corruption show its ugly head, there are a dozen ways in which to whitewash it, and the worst that can happen will fall on the subordinate, and not on the executive, who is really the prime cause, through neglect of checking and counter-checking all that is going on right under his very nose.

I solemnly maintain that the only way to deal with corruption is to employ agents

provocateur. This is supposed to be un-British. Rubbish. If a person falls for a temptation by such an agent, he is evidently unfit to hold any position of responsibility. Any official with "clean hands" has nothing to fear. Any official who is carrying out his duties "correctly" can stand being "tasted." On appointment, every official should be warned that in the course of his duty he is liable to be "proved" in any manner the executive sees fit.

HATER OF BRIBERY

dear sir

A Teacher's life

Pressure of work has caused me to delay writing to congratulate you on your fine editorial captioned above in your issue of Wednesday, July 6 when, as usual, you hit the nail on the head when you correctly described the difficult life of a teacher and his responsibility as moulder of the citizen of the future.

For months I have been hoping that someone with an abler pen than mine would venture forth to champion the cause of our overworked and underpaid teachers whose life certainly is not a bed of roses as most people would imagine. I am not a teacher myself, and so I have no axe to grind when I plead for better treatment for our long-suffering school marm whose life must be a constant nightmare, trying to control a class of exuberant mischievous lumps, each one like a writhing eel.

Have any of you complaining parents ever tried to teach an inattentive child a lesson while his mind is distracted? If you have, and have experienced the frustration of trying to make the child sit still for three consecutive minutes, you will understand how it feels to be a teacher having under his control a class of hellish monkeys all chattering and gibbering, paying no attention whatever to his remonstrations or threats of

punishment. Yet there are people who envy the innocent life of a teacher. Truly, appearance is deceptive in this case! In the second paragraph of your "Comment of the Day" above-mentioned, you say: "We have yet to see a letter telling a surgeon how to perform an operation; or telling a dentist how to extract a tooth, but when it comes to teaching, every Tom, Dick, and Harry, not only knows just how it should be done, but leaps into print to say so."

This is not so strange as it may sound or seem, for the simple reason that having gone through the mill ourselves under the cane-wielding hand of our teacher we learnt from experience at first hand how lessons were conducted; how some teachers seemed to have all the "inborn" qualities that made for success, while others would seem muddle, square pegs in round holes, and so we are able to air, or voice our "knowledge."

Happy and fortunate is the man who has received the benefit of an able teacher who can impart knowledge without strict and constant reference to textbooks read out parrot-like to the class, without explanation, discouraging those who would ask questions.

A term under such an able teacher is worth many years of mumbblings at the inexperienced hand of a half-baked "teacher." Like poets, teachers are born, not made, but a born-teacher is indeed a godsend and is more valuable than all the gold of Solomon's mines. Sir, continue to champion the cause of our teachers, and you shall receive the upping gratitude not only of the teachers themselves, but also of us parents who are finding it increasingly difficult to cope with the ever and ever harder lessons of our children who would pester us to help them with their homework which, to our utter shame and disgrace, we are unable to do! Parents, when you are asked to explain the Quantum Theory you will find yourselves in a random quandary!

A PARENT

Chopper fight follows quarrel

A couple suffered injuries in a chopper attack after a quarrel with a co-tenant in Kowloon yesterday.

Chen Sum-hing, 53, a carpenter, received multiple wounds and was sent to hospital where his condition was reported as fair this morning.

His wife, 38, was injured slightly.

The woman was bringing some water into her home at 391 "M" Block, Tai Hang Tung Residential Area, fifth floor, at about 8 p.m. when she collided with a co-tenant in the crowded flat.

A quarrel ensued. At that moment, Chen returned home and joined in the dispute which soon developed into a fight involving the use of a hammer and chopper.

A man and a woman have been detained by the Police for questioning.

Pools chief robbed of watch: loitering man gets year's jail

A 30-year-old Tsun Wan factory worker found loitering in Repulse Bay area had ten strips of sticking plaster which could have been used to cover his fingerprints, Mr. K. A. S. Phillips at Central Court was told this morning.

Appearing in court was Chung Chung-kwan, who pleaded guilty to charges of theft from a house and being a suspected person found loitering with intent to commit a felony. He was sentenced to 12 months' jail.

Detective Inspector H. Groome, prosecuting, said Chung was arrested by a party of detectives on June 16 at Repulse Bay when Chung was seen peering into ground floor windows. The sticking plaster was found in a pocket.

At defendant's hut in Tsun Wan, a pawn ticket was found, together with \$220 in cash. The ticket referred to a wrist watch. Cash taken too.

At the pawn shop, the watch was recovered and found to belong to Mr. A. P. Moore of 12 Headland Road, Managing Director of Asian Football Pools Ltd.

Mr. Moore lost the watch when the house was burgled. A total of \$482 in cash was also taken. Only \$220 was recovered, \$150 being the proceeds from the watch.

The watch was ordered to be returned to the owner, together with the money. Chung had two previous convictions for loitering, burglary and possession of house-breaking instruments.

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